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TEAM STRENGTHS

1. Extremely active hands defensively
2. Multiple guys that can create & get to rim
3. Crash the glass hard

KEYS TO VICTORY

1. BALL SECURITY
2. LIMIT THEIR SCORING @ THE RIM/IN THE PAINT
3. BULLY THEM ON THE GLASS

SOMETHING WENT WRONG WITH THIS TILE

OFFENSIVE GAME PLAN

Overall Defensive Scheme

- M2M
  - VERY active with hands (15 steals per game)
    - Heavy ball pressure/great at tracing ball
    - Jump passing lanes
  - No middle/funnel to sidelines & baseline
  - Off ball screens=Fight over or trail
  - Limited help on drives/post touches
    - Play behind in post
    - Will go for steals on post entry

Attacking their man defense

- Attack Transition Opportunities
- **Great screening & Physical cuts!**
  - Cobra's, Rhino's, & Swirls available
- Drive to post
- Aggressive Drive & Patient finishes
  - Play off 2 Feet (have a plan!!)
- Stay out of the corners & sidelines in ball screens
- **PISTOL - PISTOL GET's - PISTOL OVER - PANTHER(s)**
- 2nd 3rd 4th Chance Opportunities!!

Ball Screen & DHO Defense

- Ice or Switch Ball screens
  - Really aggressive in Ice (more of a trap)
- Switch most DHO's

Ball Screen Actions & Reads

- Rescreen available DHO
- Stay away from sideline in ball screens (Ice/Trap)

Speciality Defensive Notes

- M2M Run & Jump Press
- Diamond Press (dead ball situations)

Potential Adjustments

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DEFENSIVE GAME PLAN

Overall OFFENSIVE SCHEME

- Set play to start most possessions
  - 4 out/1 in drive & kick after set play.
- Heavy ball screen usage
- #10 main creator offensively
- Look to attack any open space
- Attack in transition off steals & rebounds

Defending Their Action

- **Ball Security = Limits their Transition!!**
- Sprint - Turn - Talk in Transition
  - Early gaps & help side
- Limit paint touches
  - Contain 1 on 1
  - High & Early Gap Presence
  - Anticipate drives after set play
- Great communication vs set plays
- **Wall up & Contest!!**
- **HIT AND SWARM EVERY SHOT!!!**

Ball Screen Actions & Personnel

- Slot ball screens in transition
- Empty ball screens
  - Will set towards middle or sideline

Ball Screen Coverage(s)

- 14X-FH
  - **Talk switches 1-4 early!**
  - High/Early Tags

ELOB & SLOB

- Box Set (Flare slip on backside or Zoom on ball-side)

Potential Adjustments

- 13X

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#10 • Angel Johnson • G • 6'2" • • SR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-2	10.5	23.5	7-17	41.2%	0-2	0.0%	7-10	70.0%	0.5	6	3.5	0.5	2.0	0.0
24-25 (D-III)	29-29	13.6	30.2	123-247	49.8%	25-63	39.7%	124-157	79.0%	0.7	109	4.4	2.8	3.0	0.1

Player Notes:
- PG, looking to create most touches
- Driver/shooter (loves drive to post)
- Very active hands defensively=steals

Keys to Defending:
- Anticipate drive after closeout
- EARLY GAP HELP
- Keep in Front & Contest

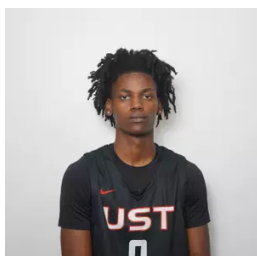### #1 • Corey Thompson • G • 6'2" • • JR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-2	15.0	22.8	9-22	40.9%	4-10	40.0%	8-11	72.7%	0.0	4	3.0	2.0	5.5	0.0

Player Notes:
- LH Shooter/Driver (Main shooting threat)
- Prefers LH drive
- Aggressive getting to rim in transition

Keys to Defending
- Anticipate LHD & finish attempts
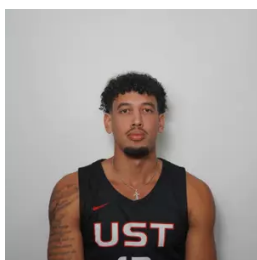- No C&S 3's!!

#0 • Nathan Kongolo • G/F • 6'4" • • SO

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-2	6.0	23.0	4-10	40.0%	2-4	50.0%	2-4	50.0%	0.5	6	1.5	0.0	2.0	0.0
24-25 (D-III)	29-29	5.6	23.9	64-171	37.4%	10-60	16.7%	25-39	64.1%	0.8	86	1.4	0.6	1.6	0.1

Player Notes:
- RH Driver/slasher
- Loves to spin back when cut off on drives
- Back cuts when defender loses vision

Keys to Defending:
- Anticipate RHD
- Anticipate spin back on LHDs
- Keep vision off ball (no back cuts)

#12 • Nicholas Buffalo • F • 6'6" • • JR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-2	8.5	22.8	6-10	60.0%	0-0	-	5-8	62.5%	1.5	8	0.0	2.0	1.5	0.0
24-25 (D-III)	23-0	4.4	16.0	36-64	56.2%	0-1	0.0%	30-49	61.2%	1.2	71	0.5	0.5	0.7	0.3

Player Notes:
- Scores from dump offs on drives & O-Boards
- LH
- Non-shooter

Keys to Defending
- Box out!!!
- Help the helper on drives = Wedge him Out
- Be a Helper when he's on perimeter

#25 • Charles Gitonga • F • 6'8" • • JR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-2	5.0	20.7	4-6	66.7%	0-0	-	2-4	50.0%	3.0	12	1.5	0.0	1.0	0.0
24-25 (D-III)	29-29	7.5	19.7	89-161	55.3%	5-19	26.3%	35-41	85.4%	1.6	112	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.8

Player Notes:
- Driver/slasher
- Will drive either way, always finishes RH.
- Go to= Floater 5-12 feet

Keys to Defending:
- Anticipate RHD & finish attempts
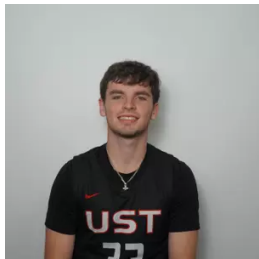- BE A HELPER when he's on perimeter.

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#33 • Garret Rodgers • F • 6'6" • • FR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-0	11.5	15.6	8-11	72.7%	1-2	50.0%	6-6	100.0%	3.5	8	0.5	1.5	0.0	0.0

Player Notes:
- Scores in post and from Offensive Boards
- Prefers LS in post but can go RS.
- Capable 3 pt shooter

Keys to Defending
- *Box Out!!!*
- NLS in post
- Strong closeout on perimeter

#5 • Reyce Allen • F • 6'5" • • SR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-0	7.0	15.8	6-12	50.0%	0-0	-	2-7	28.6%	2.5	7	1.5	0.5	1.0	0.0
24-25 (D-III)	28-0	6.2	14.4	66-115	57.4%	2-7	28.6%	40-69	58.0%	0.9	82	0.5	0.9	0.5	0.1

Player Notes:
- Driver 1st forward
- Prefers RHD, heavy RH finish
- Rebounds Hard

Keys to Defending
- Anticipate RHD & finish attempt
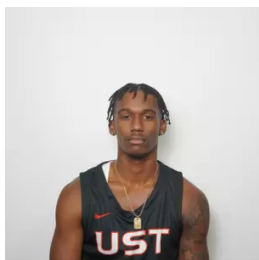- Box Out!!!

#3 • Brennan Webb • G • 6'1" • • FR

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-0	4.5	11.8	3-10	30.0%	2-7	28.6%	1-2	50.0%	0.5	4	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0

Player Notes:
- LH Shooter
- Mid range pull ups on drives

Keys to Defending
- Locate in transition
- CHASE v. screens off the ball
- High Hand - Arrive on the Catch

#2 • Omar Gayle • G • 5'10" • • SO

	GP-GS	PTS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	REB	AST	TO	STL	BLK
25-26 (D-III)	2-0	4.0	15.4	4-11	36.4%	0-3	0.0%	0-0	-	0.0	2	2.5	0.5	0.0	0.0
24-25 (D-III)	12-0	2.8	13.1	13-38	34.2%	5-23	21.7%	2-3	66.7%	0.2	14	2.0	0.6	0.4	0.0

Player Notes:
- Quick play making guard.
- Shooter/Driver
- Loves to jab before drives

Keys to Defending
- Anticipate quick 1st step
- Anticipate jab & attack opposite

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2025-2026 BOXSCORE

#	PLAYER	GP-GS	MIN	FGM-A	FG%	3PM-A	3P%	FTM-A	FT%	ORB	DRB	REB	AST	TO	BLK	STL	PTS
10	Angel Johnson	2-2	23.5	7-17	41.2%	0-2	0.0%	7-10	70.0%	0.5	2.5	3.0	3.5	0.5	0.0	2.0	10.5
0	Nathan Kongolo	2-2	23.0	4-10	40.0%	2-4	50.0%	2-4	50.0%	0.5	2.5	3.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	2.0	6.0
12	Nicholas Buffalo	2-2	22.8	6-10	60.0%	0-0	-	5-8	62.5%	1.5	2.5	4.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	1.5	8.5
1	Corey Thompson	2-2	22.8	9-22	40.9%	4-10	40.0%	8-11	72.7%	0.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	2.0	0.0	5.5	15.0
25	Charles Gitonga	2-2	20.7	4-6	66.7%	0-0	-	2-4	50.0%	3.0	3.0	6.0	1.5	0.0	0.0	1.0	5.0
5	Reyce Allen	2-0	15.8	6-12	50.0%	0-0	-	2-7	28.6%	2.5	1.0	3.5	1.5	0.5	0.0	1.0	7.0
33	Garret Rodgers	2-0	15.6	8-11	72.7%	1-2	50.0%	6-6	100.0%	3.5	0.5	4.0	0.5	1.5	0.0	0.0	11.5
2	Omar Gayle	2-0	15.4	4-11	36.4%	0-3	0.0%	0-0	-	0.0	1.0	1.0	2.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	4.0
23	Jaden Ross	1-0	12.4	2-3	66.7%	0-0	-	0-0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	1.0	4.0
3	Brennan Webb	2-0	11.8	3-10	30.0%	2-7	28.6%	1-2	50.0%	0.5	1.5	2.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	4.5
11	Tamarcus Butler	2-0	7.8	0-4	0.0%	0-2	0.0%	0-0	-	1.0	0.5	1.5	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0
13	Legborsi Mato	2-0	2.7	2-3	66.7%	1-2	50.0%	0-0	-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.0	0.0	2.5
-	Team Total	2-0	-	57-127	44.9%	11-36	30.6%	36-55	65.5%	13.5	21.5	35.0	15.0	12.0	1.5	15.0	80.5
-	Opponent	2-0	-	43-99	43.4%	9-27	33.3%	24-27	88.9%	6.5	24.0	30.5	9.0	24.5	1.0	6.5	59.5

Top Scorers

#	PLAYER	PTS	FGM-A	FG%
1	Corey Thompson	15.0	4.5-11.0	40.9%
33	Garret Rodgers	11.5	4.0-5.5	72.7%
10	Angel Johnson	10.5	3.5-8.5	41.2%
12	Nicholas Buffalo	8.5	3.0-5.0	60.0%
5	Reyce Allen	7.0	3.0-6.0	50.0%

Top Rebounders

#	PLAYER	REB	ORB
25	Charles Gitonga	6.0	3.0
33	Garret Rodgers	4.0	3.5
55	Maksat Hojaberdiyev	4.0	1.0
12	Nicholas Buffalo	4.0	1.5
5	Reyce Allen	3.5	2.5

3PT Shooters

#	PLAYER	3PM-A	3P%
1	Corey Thompson	2.0-5.0	40.0%
3	Brennan Webb	1.0-3.5	28.6%
0	Nathan Kongolo	1.0-2.0	50.0%
20	Luke Martinez	1.0-1.0	100.0%
33	Garret Rodgers	0.5-1.0	50.0%

Free Throw Shooters

#	PLAYER	FTM-A	FT%
1	Corey Thompson	4.0-5.5	72.7%
10	Angel Johnson	3.5-5.0	70.0%
33	Garret Rodgers	3.0-3.0	100.0%
32	Luke Coughran	3.0-3.0	100.0%
12	Nicholas Buffalo	2.5-4.0	62.5%