

NCAA TOURNAMENT TEAMS

2020-21

Colorado finished the 2020-21 season at 23-9 overall and third in the Pac-12 Conference at 14-6. The Buffaloes were the runner up at the 2021 Pac-12 Tournament and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. The Buffaloes ended the season having won seven of nine, 10 of 14 and 16 of their last 22.

CU's 14 conference wins are the most in program history, surpassing the 13 by the 1961-62 Big Eight Conference championship team (13-1). Colorado's five road conference wins are the program's most since the 1961-62 team had six (6-1). The 12 wins away from home are the most in CU history; topping 10 in each of the 1941-42, 1954-55 and 2011-12 seasons (the 11 in the regular season tied for the seventh-most in the NCAA).

Colorado finished second in the nation in free throw shooting at 81.9 percent, just a fraction behind Oral Roberts which made 82.1 percent. The 81.9 mark, which set school and Pac-12 records, is the third best all-time in NCAA Division I history.



Front Row (L to R): Isaac Jessup, Nique Clifford, Eli Parquet, Aidan McQuade, Maddox Daniels, McKinley Wright IV, Keeshawn Barthelemy, Benan Ersek, Owen Koonce, Luke O'Brien. Back Row (L to R): Alexander Strating, D'Shawn Schwartz, Jeriah Horne, Evan Battey, Dallas Walton, Will Loughlin, Jabari Walker, Tristan da Silva.

Along with owning the Pac-12's top spot in free throw percentage, the Buffaloes took conference statistical titles in scoring defense (63.8 ppg) and rebounding defense (30.6 rpg). Colorado, which ranked 30th in the nation in scoring defense, held its opponents under 70 points in eight of the final 13 and 10 of the last 17 contests.

Colorado's No. 5 seed in the bracket was its highest since the NCAA began seeding the entire field in 1979. The Buffaloes previous best was a No. 8 seed, achieved in their previous two tournaments in 2014 and '16.

Colorado was No. 9 in the final NCAA Evaluation Tool rankings (NET) and ranked in both final national polls for the first time since 1996-97; No. 22 in the Associated Press poll and No. 23 in the Ferris Mowers Coaches Poll.

McKinley Wright IV earned honorable mention to the AP All-America team while claiming his third-straight All-Pac-12 selection. Wright finished his illustrious career as the school's all-time leader in assists and the first player in Pac-12 history with 1,800 points, 600 rebounds and 600 assists.

2015-16

Colorado finished the 2015-16 season at 22-12 overall and claimed sole possession of fifth place in the Pac-12 Conference regular season standings at 10-8. It was the fourth time in head coach Tad Boyle's tenure that Colorado has finished with at least 10 conference wins and fifth time in six seasons the Buffaloes finished league play with a record of .500 or better.

Colorado reached 20 wins for the ninth time in program history and fifth in six years. The Buffaloes reached their overall win total from 2014-15 (16-18) in 13 fewer games (16-5). Colorado advanced to postseason play, past the conference tournament, for the sixth straight season, the best stretch in program history. The season included an 11-game win streak during the nonconference schedule.

The Buffaloes' NCAA RPI on Selection Sunday was 35. The Pac-12, had a phenomenal season as a whole, had six teams ranked in the top 50 and 10 in the top 100. Colorado was 9-10 against NCAA RPI top 100 teams during the regular season and 4-8 against the top 50. The Pac-12 advanced seven teams to the NCAA Tournament.



Front Row (L to R): Derrick White, Josh Fortune, Brett Brady, Xavier Talton, Tory Miller, Josh Scott, Wesley Gordon, Xavier Johnson, Thomas Akyazili, Tre'Shaun Fletcher. Back Row (L to R): Mitch Lombard, Josh Repine, Eli Stalzer, Assistant Coach Mike Rohn, Assistant Coach Rodney Billups, Director of Player Development Sean Kearney, Head Coach Tad Boyle, Director of Operations Bill Cartun, Associate Head Coach Jean Prioleau, Dominique Collier, George King, Kenan Guzonjic.

Colorado led the Pac-12 in free throw percentage (.734), 3-point percentage (.398), overall rebounding (42.1 rpg) and defensive boards (29.0 drpg) while ranking second in rebounding margin (+8.6) and offensive rebounds (13.1 orgp) and fourth in 3-pointers made (7.4 3mpg).

Senior forward Josh Scott was named to the 2016 All-Pac-12 first team while sophomore wing George King was named the Pac-12's Most Improved Player of the Year.

2013-14

The Buffaloes earned their third straight NCAA Tournament bid with an eighth seed in the South Region played in Orlando. It was CU's highest NCAA Tourney seed since the 1997 when they were ninth in the East Region. The Buffaloes won 23 games, the third most victories in school history, in fact, it was the fourth straight season CU won at least 20 or more games in a season (a school record). The team won 10-straight games during November and most of December, tying for the fourth longest streak in school history. CU was nationally ranked for six straight weeks in the AP Poll (5-straight in the Coaches' Poll) reaching its peak at No. 15 with a 14-2 record. With a 3-0 Pac-12 record, junior guard Spencer Dinwiddie suffered a season-ending ACL injury to his left knee at Washington on Jan. 12. From there, the Buffs closed the season with a 9-9 record, however still defended their home court winning five of seven games. They still managed to reach the Pac-12 Tournament semifinals and finished the conference season with a 10-8 record, tying four other schools for third place. It was CU's highest conference finish in 18 years. The faithful Buff Nation reached a record number who attended games at Coors Events Center with a school-best 173,429 spectators over the 18 home games, and of the nine non-conference home games, another school-best of 84,133 fans were in attendance.



(back row: left-right): Assistant Coach Rodney Billups, Associate Head Coach Jean Prioleau, Director of Player Development Sean Kearney, Brett Brady, Beau Gamble, Xavier Talton, Jaron Hopkins, Tre'Shaun Fletcher, Askia Booker, Geoffrey Bates, Kevin Nelson, Eli Stalzer, Head Coach Tad Boyle, Director of Basketball Operations Bill Cartun, Assistant Coach/Director of Recruiting Mike Rohn. (Sitting: left-right): Chris Jenkins, Spencer Dinwiddie, Dustin Thomas, Josh Scott, Ben Mills, Xavier Johnson, Wesley Gordon, George King.



(front row L-R): Andre Roberson, Chris Jenkins, Wesley Gordon, Ben Mills, Shane Harris-Tunks, Josh Scott, Xavier Johnson, Spencer Dinwiddie. Back Row (L-R): Director of Basketball Strength & Conditioning James Hardy, Director of Player Development Tom Abatemarco, Assistant Coach Mike Rohn, Coordinator of Operations Bill Cartun, Beau Gamble, Jeremy Adams, Askia Booker, Sabatino Chen, Kevin Nelson, Xavier Talton, Eli Stalzer, Head Coach Tad Boyle, Assistant Coach Jean Prioleau, Athletic Trainer Trae Tashiro, Assistant Coach Rodney Billups.

2012-13

The defending Pac-12 Tournament champions won their first six games of the season en route to being nationally ranked for the first time since the 2005-06 campaign. CU made the national tournament for the second straight season, a school-first in 50 years (since Sox Walseth). Head Coach Tad Boyle and his staff won 21 games, the third-straight season over 20 wins (a school-first) and the 69 victories over the last three years, are the most in any three-year span. The Buffs finished fifth in the conference standings and earned an at-large seed at No. 10 in the East Region falling to No. 7 Illinois, 57-49 in Austin, Texas. Andre Roberson was named Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year as well as a first team selection. Spencer Dinwiddie led the Buffs in scoring, assists and free throw shooting, was also named to the conference first team, while Josh Scott was named to the freshman team. The fifth place conference finish was the first time since the Cliff Meely era (1968-71), the Buffs finished fifth or better in three straight years. The Buffs also set a number of attendance records including seven sellouts, 12 of 15 home games exceeding 10,000 fans, in addition to season total (155,884); season average (10,392); conference total (94,371); conference average (10,486). Over the last three years, there have been 16 sellouts with 13 wins. The Buffs would finish second Pac-12 attendance average (all games) and third in conference-only games.



Front Row (l-r): Spencer Dinwiddie, Andre Roberson, Trey Eckloff, Ben Mills, Shane Harris-Tunks, Austin Dufault, Carlon Brown. Back Row (l-r): Assistant Coach Tom Abatemarco, Director of Operations Rodney Billups, Head Coach Tad Boyle, Beau Gamble, Sabatino Chen, Jeremy Adams, Beau Webb, Nate Tomlinson, Askia Booker, Shannon Sharpe, Coordinator of Operations Bill Cartun, Assistant Coach Jean Prioleau, Assistant Coach Mike Rohn.

2011-12

It was nine years since CU last danced in the NCAA Tournament and in one of the greatest seasons ever, second year head coach Tad Boyle equaled the previous season's win total (24), advanced to the NCAA Tourney second round, and won the inaugural Pac-12 Tournament championship by winning four games in four days as the No. 6 seed. The conference regular season had its ups and downs where at one point, CU could have ended the season as the number one or two seed in the tournament. However, losing three of its last four games and dropping to the No. 6 overall seed, the Buffs overcame No. 11 seed Utah, 53-41 on 34.9 percent shooting on the opening night at the Staples Center in Los Angeles. On the day two and against No. 3 seed Oregon, CU edged the Ducks, 63-62 for the second time in three meetings this season. A put-back field goal by sophomore forward Andre Roberson with 13 seconds remaining and a defensive stand by senior point guard Nate Tomlinson proved to be the difference in the one point win. In the semifinals, CU took care of No. 2 Cal, 70-59 on 59.1 percent shooting from the field in the second half. Senior guard Carlon Brown breakaway windmill dunk served as an exclamation point in the final minute of CU's victory. The play was No. 4 on SportsCenter's Top 10 plays of the day. In the finals, the Buffs held on again for another upset, edging No. 4 seed Arizona, 53-51 after leading the Wildcats by 12 points in the second half. CU scored only three points in the last nine minutes of the game, however, Brown had a highlight reel dunk in the final minute, snapping a streak of 8:19 without a field goal. CU became the first team to win four games in Pac-12 Conference Tournament history, and just the 10th team from the "Big Six" conferences to do so since 1952. At the NCAA Tournament, the Buffs, seeded No. 11 upset No. 6 UNLV in the first round, then fell to No. 3 Baylor, 80-63, two days later.

2002-03

The 2002-03 season was one of the most successful campaigns in Colorado history. Standards were set high as the team returned five of their top six scorers from a year ago. Rarely in athletic competition can a team live up to the expectations of the media, and the fans; but the Buffs were able to not only meet expectations, but surpass them. CU finished the season 20-12, the third time in school history that a 20 win season had been accomplished. That included a nearly perfect record at home, as they went 14-1 on Sox Walseth Court. The game of the year came on January 22nd when the Buffs were able to topple the #6 ranked Kansas Jayhawks; a feat not accomplished since 1991. Sophomore David Harrison had a breakout year, setting several school records. Harrison broke, and then re-broke the record for blocked shots in a game when he recorded 10 against Stetson, and then 11 at home against Nebraska. Harrison also added two triple-doubles that year against Stetson and Nebraska.



Standing (l-r): Manager Kristi Coady, Glean Eddy, Jayson Obazuaye, Michel Morandais, Lamar Harris, Stephane Pelle, David Harrison, Chris Copeland, Scott Senger, Amadou Doumbouya, Blair Wilson, John Tynan, Brett Mattingly, James Wright. Sitting (l-r): Billy Boidock, Antoine McGee, Team Manager, Basketball Sports Information Director Andrew Green, Assistant Coach Terry Dunn, Assistant Coach Jason Shelton, Head Coach Ricardo Patton, Assistant Coach Larry Gay, Director of Operations Gerald Harris, Athletic Trainer Kenny Boyd, Manager Mike Bermel, Trennis Jones, Matt Greenwald.

1996-97

The Buffs were back. Not since the late 1960s had CU basketball made the NCAA Tournament, or had an AP top 25 ranking. Both of those droughts ended during the season, as Colorado made it back to the big dance. Led by sophomore phenom Chauncey Billups, the Buffs stormed to a 22-10 record. Conference play did not change their winning ways, as they went 11-5 in the Big 12. The 22 wins, along with their 11 Big 12 victories each are school records. With their stellar record, break into the AP Poll for the first time since 1968-69 at #24. The season was highlighted by two upsets, as the Buffs were able to defeat #20 ranked Texas Tech, and then exactly one week later topple the #8 ranked Cyclones of Iowa State. Billups turned in one of the best seasons ever by a Buffalo. He finished the season with 555 total points, the first time a sophomore had scored that many points since Cliff Meely put up 667 points during the '68-'69 season. Electing for the NBA Draft, Billups left Colorado after his sophomore year, but not after becoming the 23rd all time scorer in school history in just two years.



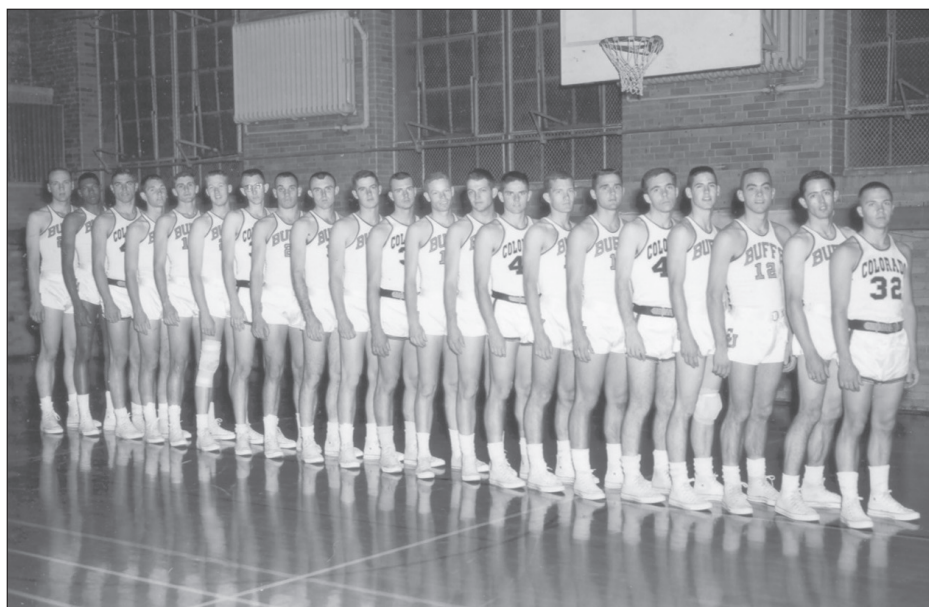
Top (l-r): Assistant Coach Shane Wagner, Marlon Hughes, Chauncey Billups, Devon Gilchrist, Ronnie DeGray, Will Smith, Josh Townsend, Rick Brownstein. Bottom: Assistant Coach Terry Dunn, Charlie Melvin, Martice Moore, Greg Jensen, Head Coach Ricardo Patton, Dennis Griffin, Fred Edmonds, Howard Frier, Assistant Coach David Moe.



Top (l-r): Head Coach Sox Walseth, Trainer Monte Smith, Steve Swanson, Ron Maulsby, Dudley Mitchell, Scoopy Smith, Terry Jameson, Gordie Tope, Mickey Kern, Manager John Weintraub. Bottom: Mike Kinkki, David Lee, Tim Richardson, Mike Coleman, Ted Erfert, Bruce Hyink, Cliff Meely, Tim Wedgeworth, Lloyd Hutchinson.

1968-69

Coming off an uninspiring 9-16 overall record the previous year, Colorado was looking for a way to get the program back on track. A 3-11 conference record had coach Sox Walseth reeling. The Buffs were in need of a spark plug; and they found it in Cliff Meely. Never in school history had a first-year player given the program a jolt in the way Meely was able to do in the 1968-69 season. The Buffs tore through the season, finishing with a 21-7 mark and an 11-4 conference schedule. That record included a perfect 11-0 at home. The 21 wins were a school record that would stand for 27 years. Colorado earned a #18 national ranking for its success, the first time the Buffs were able to crack the top 25 since 1963. Meely finished the season with 667 points, the most ever by a sophomore and fourth overall. His ability to score was complimented by superb rebounding. Meely finished the '68-'69 campaign with 337 rebounds. This mark is also the most by any sophomore, and ranks second all time in CU history.



1962-63

The 1962-63 season opened with all eyes on the Buffs. Coming off an impressive 19-win campaign and NCAA Tournament berth the year before, Colorado was receiving national attention. Coach Sox Walseth knew his team was under the microscope from the very beginning. Some critics thought a team who was not used to being in the spotlight would crumble under the pressure; these Buffaloes proved them wrong. CU stormed through the season, accumulating a 19-7 record while going 11-3 in conference play. It was the second year in a row that Colorado had gone 19-7 overall. A perfect home record and a #10 national ranking helped to keep Boulder in a basketball induced frenzy. The previous year had ended with CU having 499 wins as a program, and they seized first opportunity they had during the '62-'63 campaign to reach that 500-win milestone. CU defeated Wichita State 79-69 in double overtime on Dec. 3, 1962, for the 500th win in program history. Senior Ken Charlton paced the Buffs in scoring for the season. En route to an All-American selection, the fifth in CU's history, Charlton put up 514 points and 214 rebounds. His point total was well above the rest of the team, outpacing the second best scorer, Jim Davis, by 154 points.

(L-R): Glenn Sponholtz, Jim Davis, Jack Lintz, Norm Saunders, Milt Mueller, Ken Charlton, Ralph Becker, Gene Sparks, Terry Woodward, Tom McCann, Bob Joyce, Lonnie Melton, Ed Price, Allan Pike, George Parsons, John Sciez, Frank Harshman, Denny Lee, Adrian Mohr, Eric Lee, Russ Casement.

1961-62

A 19-win season was something the Colorado Buffaloes had seen only once in their history. The last time they won 19 games (in 1955), was the last time CU received a bid to play in the NCAA Tournament. With that goal in their heads, Sox Walseth and his Buffs marched to a 19-7 record, and a near perfect 13-1 mark in conference play. The #9 ranked Buffaloes finished the regular season on a torrid pace, winning 14 of their 15 final games. The one loss was their one conference loss as well, falling at Kansas State. That span included a 12-game winning streak, as CU decimated their Big Eight opponents. Colorado finished the season at #9 in the AP Poll, its highest-ever final ranking. Colorado scorers were paced by junior forward Ken Charlton, who finished the season with 498 points and 216 rebounds. Charlton was the only member of the team to record 400 points and 200 rebounds. One of the great storylines of the season was the play of senior forward Wilky Gilmore. Gilmore was the only member of the team to play in all 26 contests, as he accumulated 330 points and 163 rebounds. Gilmore left the program as the second all time leading scorer in CU history with 1026 career points.



(l-r): Glenn Sponholtz, Jim Davis, Gene Zyzda, Milt Mueller, Ken Charlton, Wilky Gilmore, Wayne Millies, Gene Sparks, Terry Woodward, Tom McCann, Larry Morris, Gil Whissen, Lonnie Melton, Ed Price, George Parsons, Eric Lee, Bob Owen, Duane Lewis.



Front Row (l-r): Trainer Jack Rockwell, Tom Harrold, Will Walters, Bob Helzer, George Redhair, By Bennett, Dave Mowbray, Head Coach Bebe Lee. Second Row: Manager John Roberts, Gordon Johnson, Sam Morrison, Charlie Mock, Jamie Grant, Bill Peterson, Bob Decker, Jim Grant, Jim Cadle, Bob Yardley, Assistant Coach: Gerry Ellison. Back Row: Assistant Coach Bill Toms, Mel Coffman, Jim Ranglos, Bob Jeangerard, Burdy Haldorson, Frank Wilcox, George Hannah, Jim Jochems, Leo Hayward, Mik Mansfield, Jerry Spicer.

1954-55 FINAL FOUR

It was a season of firsts for the Buffaloes. The year marked the first time in school history the Buffs were offered an invitation to the NCAA Tournament. Once they arrived, the success they had during the big dance is unmatched in school history to this day. Advancing to the national semifinals, they were eventually defeated by San Francisco. CU won the consolation game two days later, to finish third, the Buffaloes' highest NCAA finish. The season also saw the first time Colorado could put the number 19 in the win column. They finished with a 19-6 overall record, going 11-1 in conference play. The season opened with a bang, as CU set a school scoring record as they took down Brigham Young by a score of 88-66. Colorado had an amazing winning streak during the season, capturing 15 of 16 games spanning from December to March. Colorado was ranked #15 in the final AP Poll. The '54-'55 Buffs were blessed to have the single most dominating rebounder in the history of Colorado. Senior Burdette Haldorson tore apart record after record, many of which are still standing today. His accomplishments were highlighted by a 21-rebound effort against Oklahoma, and later a 22-rebound game against Nebraska. His season mark of 346 rebounds is still the school record, as his single season rebounds/game average. He also knew how to put the ball in the basket; his 1125 career points was the best in school history when he left.

1953-54

Under the direction of coach H.B. Lee, the Buffs finished the season with a less than stellar 10-10 regular season mark. It was their inspired 10-2 Big Seven record, however, that helped the Buffs reach the NCAA Tournament for the fourth time in school history. Colorado started its season by losing seven in a row. Fans and the media had already stuck the proverbial fork in the Buffs' season. After a loss at home to Iowa State though, a fire was lit under the Buffs, and they went flying to finish out the season. They won 11 of their next 13 games to storm back into tournament contention. That win streak was highlighted by a home win against the defending champion Kansas Jayhawks, along with road wins against contenders Iowa State, Nebraska, and Oklahoma. At season's end, the impressive winning streak was not enough to ensure an NCAA berth. The selection was eventually made when Colorado's name was literally pulled out of a hat. Talk about luck of the draw. CU was paced by junior center Burdette Haldorson. The 6'7 center led the team with 367 points and 199 rebounds. At the time, Haldorson's average of nine rebounds per game tied him for the all time high with Frank Gompert.



Bottom Row (l-r): Head Coach: H.B. Lee, James Grant, Byron Bennett, Samuel Morrison, Thomas Harrold, Charles Mock, Assistant Coach Bob Sneddon. Middle Row: William Peterson, James Ranglos, Wilbert Walter, Kenneth Munns, Merle Abrames. Top Row: James Owsley, Robert Jeangerard, Burdette Haldorson, George Hannah, Melvin Coffman.



Front Row (l-r): Leo Atkin, equipment manager, James Stark, Harold Beattie, Jack Hunt, Sam Jenkins, Bill Allen, Leonard Poth, W.C. Lam. Middle Row (l-r): Director of Athletics Dean Harry Carlson, Chet Riley, Lee Robbins, Hank Knocke, Horace Huggins, Assistant Coach Jim Wilcoxen, Head Coach Frosty Cox. Back Row (l-r): Bob Sloan, Sox Walseth, Ernie Fuller, Don Patman, Jack Sterling, Clarence Ellis.

1945-46

One of the youngest CU teams to ever make the NCAA Tournament came in the 1945-46 season. The Buffs did not have one senior to help coach Forrest Cox direct the untested youth. Thankfully for Coach Cox, and for Buffs fans, they didn't need one. Colorado battled their way to a 12-6 overall record, and a 9-3 Mountain States Conference record. The season was highlighted by a five-game win streak during the heart of the schedule. During that span they were able to defeat conference foes Denver, Colorado State, Utah, and Brigham Young. The inexperienced Buffs were lead by center Hank Knocke. The sophomore transfer exploded out of the gates: scoring 49 points in his first four games as a Buffalo. With a sturdy 6-4 frame, Knocke was able to control the area under the basket, and maintain CU's distinction as a force to be reckoned with. Knocke's season was highlighted by two 26-point efforts; once against Utah State, and again just two weeks later against Denver. At the time, those stood as the third and fourth all-time, single-game scoring records. The Buffs ended their season with an NCAA Regional consolation game victory over Baylor.

1941-42 FINAL FOUR

Very little could stop Colorado in its march toward its second NCAA Tournament appearance. The Buffs decimated their competition, going 15-1 in the regular season. Behind the direction of head coach Forrest B. Cox, CU's explosive attack and stingy defensive work won them their first 14 games. The Buffs finally lost their first game of the season on March 3, a 40-39 loss to conference foe Wyoming. A perfect 6-0 home record had the fans in Boulder excited; and their 9-1 away record had the rest of the nation trembling. Colorado would eventually finish their season 16-2, as they took down Kansas in the NCAA Western Region semifinals. They would later bow out to Stanford in the regional finals. Their stellar play helped the Buffs capture their fourth Mountain States Conference title in five years. Two All-American players helped to pace CU during this dominating season: Robert Doll and Leason McCloud. Doll was the big play man for the Buffs. His imposing presence down in the paint allowed him to out rebound all of his opponents. He would later go on to play for the Boston Celtics in the NBA. Doll was supplemented by the stellar play of McCloud. The leading scorer on the team, McCloud was seen by coach Cox as the Buffs "go to guy." McCloud's inspired 19-point performance was the turning factor in Colorado's first round victory against Kansas.



Top Row (l-r): Head Coach H.B. Lee, George Hamburg, #19-?, Bob Doll, ?, Bob Kirchner, 7-?, Lee Robbins. Middle Row (l-r): Bill Milliken, Don Putman, Reed Hannon, Leason McCloud, Paul Schmidt. Bottom Row (l-r): Jack Stirling, Heath Nuckolls, Barney Oldham.

1939-40 NCAA and NIT

Coming off of an impressive NIT championship, Colorado was invited to play in the NCAA Tournament for the first time in school history. Under the direction of coach Forrest Cox, the Buffs had compiled an impressive 17-2 record previous to the NCAA Tournament. This included a near perfect 11-1 record in conference play, a flawless 8-0 home performance, and a mid-season 12-game winning streak. Although CU had to bow out after the first round of the tournament, they did not end the season without some hardware to show. They had earlier defeated Duquesne University for the NIT championship. A 52-37 romping of the University of Denver had given the Buffs their third-straight Mountain States Conference title. Colorado was lead by Jack Harvey: a two time All-American selection. Over a two year span, CU went 31-8 with Harvey wearing the silver and gold. Harvey was a dominating presence in the defensive end of the court; as well as being the catalyst in an explosive fast break offense.



Head Coach: Forrest B. Cox. Jack Harvey, Gene Grove, Bob Doll, Don Hendricks, Don Thurman, Leason McCloud, Bill Cates, George Hamburg, Dick Emery, Paul Schmidt, Martin Trotsky, John Musgrove, Jim Hickey, Dick Merrill.

CU IN NCAA TOURNAMENT

15 Appearances, Two Final Fours: 11-17 (.393)

2021 (1-1): East Region

Colorado 96, Georgetown 73	Mar. 20	Indianapolis, Ind. (First Round)
Florida State 71, Colorado 53	Mar. 22	Indianapolis, Ind. (Second Round)

2016 (0-1): South Region

Connecticut 74, Colorado 67	Mar. 17	Des Moines, Iowa (First Round)
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2014 (0-1): South Region

Pittsburgh 77, Colorado 48	Mar. 20	Orlando, Fla. (First Round)
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2013 (0-1): East Region

Illinois 57, Colorado 49	Mar. 22	Austin, Texas (First Round)
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2012 (1-1): South Region

Colorado 68, UNLV 64	Mar. 15	Albuquerque, N.M. (First Round)
Baylor 80, Colorado 63	Mar. 17	Albuquerque, N.M. (Second Round)

2003 (0-1): South Region

Michigan State 79, Colorado 64	Mar. 21	Tampa, Fla. (First Round)
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1997 (1-1): East Region

Colorado 80, Indiana 62	Mar. 13	Winston-Salem, N.C. (First Round)
^North Carolina 73, Colorado 56	Mar. 15	Winston-Salem, N.C. (Second Round)

1969 (1-1)

Colorado State 64, Colorado 56	Mar. 13	Lawrence, Kan. (Midwest Regional)
Colorado 97, Texas A&M 82	Mar. 15	Lawrence, Kan. (Regional Third Place)

1963 (1-1)

Colorado 78, Oklahoma City 72	Mar. 15	Lawrence, Kan. (Midwest Regional)
Cincinnati 67, Colorado 60	Mar. 16	Lawrence, Kan. (Regional Final)

1962 (1-1)

Colorado 67, Texas Tech 60	Mar. 16	Manhattan, Kan. (Midwest Regional)
*Cincinnati 73, Colorado 46	Mar. 17	Manhattan, Kan. (Regional Final)

1955 (3-1)

Colorado 69, Tulsa 59	Mar. 10	Manhattan, Kan. (West Regional)
Colorado 93, Bradley 81	Mar. 15	Manhattan, Kan. (West Regional)
*San Francisco 62, Colorado 50	Mar. 19	Kansas City, Mo. (NCAA Semifinal)
Colorado 75, Iowa 54	Mar. 21	Kansas City, Mo. (NCAA Third Place)

1954 (0-2)

Bradley 76, Colorado 64	Mar. 12	Stillwater, Okla. (West Regional)
Rice 78, Colorado 55	Mar. 13	Stillwater, Okla. (Regional Consolation)

1946 (1-1)

California 50, Colorado 44	Mar. 22	Kansas City, Mo. (Western Regional)
Colorado 59, Baylor 44	Mar. 23	Kansas City, Mo. (Regional Third Place)

1942 (1-1)

Colorado 46, Kansas 44	Mar. 20	Kansas City, Mo. (Western Regional)
*Stanford 46, Colorado 34	Mar. 21	Kansas City, Mo. (NCAA Semifinal)

1940 (0-2)

Southern California 38, Colorado 32	Mar. 20	Kansas City, Mo. (Western Regional)
Rice 60, Colorado 56	Mar. 21	Kansas City, Mo. (Regional Third Place)

CU NCAA Tournament Highs

TEAM

Stat	No.	Opponent	Year
Points	97	Texas A&M	1969
Field Goals	41 (72 FGA)	Texas A&M	1969
FG%	.607 (34-56)	Georgetown	2021
Free Throws	33 (47 FTA)	Bradley	1955
FT%	.857 (12-14)	Georgetown	2021
3-Point Makes	16 (25 3PA)	Georgetown	2021
3-Point%	.778 (7-9)	Indiana	1997
Assists	27	Georgetown	2021
Rebounds	46	UNLV	2012
	46	Oklahoma City	1963

INDIVIDUAL

Stat	Player	No.	Opponent	Year
Points	Cliff Meely	32	Colorado State	1969
Rebounds	Jim Ranglos	19	Bradley	1955
Assists	McKinley Wright IV	13	Georgetown	2021
Blocks	David Harrison	7	Michigan State	2003
Steals	Andre Roberson	4	Baylor	2012
Field Goals	Cliff Meely	12 (23 FGA)	Texas A&M	1969
	Bob Jeangerard	12 (24 FGA)	Bradley	1955
FG%	Jabari Walker	.900 (9-10)	Georgetown	2021
Free Throws	Josh Scott	13 (18 FTA)	Connecticut	2016
3-Point FGM	Jabari Walker	5 (5-5)	Georgetown	2021
	D'Shawn Schwartz	5 (5-7)	Georgetown	2021
3-Point %	Jabari Walker	1.000 (5-5)	Georgetown	2021

*Would go on to win NCAA Championship

^Dean Smith surpassed Adolph Rupp to move into first on the all-time wins list in this game (877). Smith would later lose his top spot on the win's list to Bobby Knight, who CU beat in the first round.

NCAA TOURNAMENT HISTORY

RECORD BREAKDOWNS

Opponent	Record	Last Mtg.
Baylor	1-1	2012
Bradley	1-1	1955
California	0-1	1946
Cincinnati	0-2	1963
Colorado State	0-1	1969
Connecticut	0-1	2016
Florida State	0-1	2021
Georgetown	1-0	2021
Illinois	0-1	2013
Indiana	1-0	1997
Iowa	1-0	1955
Michigan State	0-1	2003
Nevada Las Vegas	1-0	2012
North Carolina	0-1	1997
Oklahoma City	1-0	1963
Pittsburgh	0-1	2014
Rice	0-2	1954
San Francisco	0-1	1955
Southern California	0-1	1940
Stanford	0-1	1942
Texas A&M	1-0	1969
Texas Tech	1-0	1962
Tulsa	1-0	1955
TOTALS	10-16	.385

Site	Gms	Record
Kansas City, Mo.	8	3-5
Manhattan, Kan.	6	4-2
Indianapolis, Ind.	2	1-1
Greensboro, N.C.	2	1-1
Lawrence, Kan.	2	1-1
Stillwater, Okla.	2	0-2
Albuquerque, N.M.	2	1-1
Austin, Texas	1	0-1
Orlando, Fla.	1	0-1
Tampa, Fla.	1	0-1
Des Moines, Iowa	1	0-1

Region	Seasons	Gms	Record
West	5	12	5-7
Midwest	3	6	3-3
East	3	5	2-3
South	4	5	1-4

Seed	Seasons	Gms	Record
No. 5 Seed	1	2	1-1
No. 8 Seed	2	2	0-2
No. 9 Seed	1	2	1-1
No. 10 Seed	2	2	0-2
No. 11 Seed	1	2	1-1

Round	Seasons	Record
First Round	7	3-4
Second Round	3	0-3
Regional Semifinal	7	3-4
Regional Third Place	4	2-2
Regional Final	4	2-2
National Semifinal	2	0-2
National Third Place	1	1-0

NCAA Game Records

Points

32, Cliff Meely vs. Colorado State, 3/13/69
 29, Bob Jeangerard vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 28, Burdie Haldorson vs. Tulsa, 3/10/55
 26, Ken Charlton vs. Oklahoma City, 3/15/63
 24, Jabari Walker vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 24, Chauncey Billups vs. Indiana, 3/13/97
 24, Cliff Meely vs. Texas A&M, 3/15/69

Field Goals

12, Bob Jeangerard vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 11, Cliff Meely vs. Texas A&M, 3/15/69
 11, Cliff Meely vs. Colorado State, 3/13/69
 9, Jabari Walker vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 9, Ken Charlton vs. Cincinnati, 3/16/63
 9, Ken Charlton vs. Oklahoma City, 3/15/63
 9, Ken Charlton vs. Texas Tech, 3/16/62
 9, Burdie Haldorson vs. Tulsa, 3/10/55

Field Goal Attempts

26, Cliff Meely vs. Colorado State, 3/13/69
 24, Bob Jeangerard vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 23, Cliff Meely vs. Texas A&M, 3/15/69
 21, Ken Charlton vs. Texas Tech, 3/16/62
 20, Burdie Haldorson vs. Tulsa, 3/10/55

Field Goal Percentage (min. 5)

.900, Jabari Walker vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21 (9-10)
 .833, Maurice Gilmore vs. Cincinnati, 3/17/62 (5-6)
 .750, D'Shawn Schwartz vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21 (6-8)
 .727, Jim Davis vs. Texas Tech, 3/16/62 (8-11)
 .714, Charles Mock vs. Tulsa, 3/10/55 (5-7)

Three-Point Field Goals

5, Jabari Walker vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 5, D'Shawn Schwartz vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 4, Askia Booker vs. Illinois, 3/22/13
 3, D'Shawn Schwartz vs. Florida State, 3/22/21
 3, Askia Booker vs. Baylor, 3/17/12
 3, Austin Dufault vs. UNLV, 3/15/12
 3, Blair Wilson vs. Michigan State, 3/21/03
 3, Chauncey Billups vs. Indiana, 3/13/97
 3, Martice Moore vs. Indiana, 3/13/97

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

10, Askia Booker vs. Illinois, 3/22/13
 9, Chauncey Billups vs. North Carolina, 3/15/97
 7, D'Shawn Schwartz vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 6, Jeriah Horne vs. Florida State, 3/22/21
 5, 7 times

Three-Point FG Percentage (min. 3)

1.000, Jabari Walker vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21 (5-5)
 1.000, Askia Booker vs. Baylor, 3/17/12 (3-3)
 .750, Austin Dufault vs. UNLV, 3/15/12 (3-4)
 .750, Chauncey Billups vs. Indiana, 3/13/97 (3-4)
 .750, Martice Moore vs. Indiana, 3/13/97 (3-4)
 .714, D'Shawn Schwartz vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21 (5-7)

Free Throws

13, Josh Scott vs. UConn, 3/17/16
 10, Cliff Meely vs. Colorado State, 3/13/69
 10, Tom Harrold vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 10, Burdie Haldorson vs. Tulsa, 3/10/55
 9, Burdie Haldorson vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 8, Ken Charlton vs. Oklahoma City, 3/15/63

Free Throw Attempts

18, Josh Scott vs. UConn, 3/17/16
 15, Tom Harrold vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 14, Cliff Meely vs. Colorado State, 3/13/69
 13, Burdie Haldorson vs. Bradley, 3/12/54
 12, Burdie Haldorson vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 12, Burdie Haldorson vs. Tulsa, 3/10/55

Free Throw Percentage (min. 5)

1.000, Ken Charlton vs. Cincinnati, 3/16/63 (5-of-5)
 1.000, Bob Doll vs. Stanford, 3/21/42 (5-of-5)
 .857, Josh Scott vs. Pittsburgh, 3/20/14 (6-of-7)
 .833, Chauncey Billups vs. Indiana, 3/13/97 (5-of-6)
 .833, Wilky Gilmore vs. Cincinnati, 3/17/62 (5-of-6)
 .833, Bob Jeangerard vs. Bradley, 3/15/55 (5-of-6)
 .833, Burdie Haldorson vs. Tulsa, 3/10/55 (10-of-12)

Rebounds

19, Jim Ranglos vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 17, Jim Davis vs. Oklahoma City, 3/15/63
 16, Andre Roberson vs. UNLV, 3/15/12
 16, Cliff Meely vs. Texas A&M, 3/15/63
 14, Josh Scott vs. Illinois, 3/22/13
 14, Milt Mueller vs. Cincinnati, 3/16/63
 14, Burdie Haldorson vs. Tulsa, 3/10/55

Offensive Rebounds

6, Josh Scott vs. Illinois, 3/22/13
 3, Josh Scott vs. UConn, 3/17/16
 3, Wesley Gordon vs. UConn, 3/17/16
 3, Andre Roberson vs. UNLV, 3/15/12
 3, David Harrison vs. Michigan State, 3/21/03
 3, Fred Edmonds vs. North Carolina, 3/15/97

Defensive Rebounds

13, Andre Roberson vs. UNLV, 3/15/12
 9, Martice Moore vs. Indiana, 3/13/97
 8, Josh Scott vs. UConn, 3/17/16
 8, Josh Scott vs. Illinois, 3/22/13
 7, Andre Roberson vs. Baylor, 3/17/12

Assists

13, McKinley Wright IV vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 5, Howard Frier vs. North Carolina, 3/15/97
 4, Maddox Daniels vs. Florida State, 3/22/21
 4, D'Shawn Schwartz vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 4, Keeshawn Barthelemy vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 4, Spencer Dinwiddie vs. Illinois, 3/22/13
 4, Shane Harris-Tunks vs. Baylor, 3/17/12
 4, Carlon Brown vs. UNLV, 3/15/12

Steals

4, Andre Roberson vs. Baylor, 3/17/12
 2, McKinley Wright vs. Florida State, 3/22/21
 2, Maddox Daniels vs. Florida State, 3/22/21
 2, Josh Fortune vs. UConn, 3/17/16
 2, Andre Roberson vs. Illinois, 3/22/13
 2, Stephane Pelle vs. Michigan State, 3/21/03
 2, Blair Wilson vs. Michigan State, 3/21/03
 2, Charlie Melvin vs. Indiana, 3/13/97
 2, Chauncey Billups vs. North Carolina, 3/15/97
 2, Howard Frier vs. North Carolina, 3/15/97

Blocks

7, David Harrison vs. Michigan State, 3/21/03
 3, Andre Roberson vs. Illinois, 3/22/13
 2, Jabari Walker vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 2, Wesley Gordon vs. UConn, 3/17/16
 2, Andre Roberson vs. UNLV, 3/15/12

Minutes

37, Andre Roberson vs. UNLV, 3/15/12
 36, Josh Scott vs. UConn, 3/17/16
 36, Andre Roberson vs. Baylor, 3/17/12
 36, Nate Tomlinson vs. UNLV, 3/15/12
 35, Chauncey Billups vs. N. Carolina, 3/15/97
 34, Askia Booker & Andre Roberson, vs. Illinois, 3/22/13
 34, Martice Moore vs. Indiana, 3/13/97
 34, David Harrison vs. Michigan State, 3/21/03

NOTE: Offensive Rebounds, Defensive Rebounds, All Three-Point categories, Assists, Blocks, Steals and Minutes since 1997; Field Goals Attempted and Percentage, Free Throws Attempted and Percentage and Rebounds since 1954.

NCAA Tournament (Team Records)

Points

1. 97 1969 Texas A&M
 2. 96 2021 Georgetown
 3. 93 1955 Bradley
 4. 80 1997 Indiana
 5. 78 1963 Oklahoma City

Points Allowed

1. 82 1969 Texas A&M
 2. 81 1955 Bradley
 3. 80 2012 Baylor
 4. 79 2003 Michigan State
 5. 77 2014 Pittsburgh

Rebounds

1. 53 1963 Oklahoma City
 2. 47 1955 Bradley
 3. 46 2012 UNLV
 46 1962 Texas Tech
 5. 43 1963 Cincinnati

Assists

1. 27 2021 Georgetown
 2. 12 2021 Florida State
 12 2012 UNLV
 12 1997 Indiana
 5. 11 1997 North Carolina

Blocks

1. 8 2003 Michigan State
 2. 5 2013 Illinois
 3. 3 6 times (last 2021 vs G'town)

Turnovers

1. 23 2012 UNLV
 2. 19 2021 Florida State
 3. 17 2014 Pittsburgh
 4. 15 2013 Illinois
 5. 13 2012 Baylor
 13 2003 Michigan State

Steals

1. 7 1997 North Carolina
 2. 6 2003 Michigan State
 6 1997 Indiana
 4. 5 2021 Florida State
 2016 UConn
 2013 Illinois

Free Throws

1. Bradley 1955 33-47
 2. Bradley 1954 26-39
 3. San Francisco 1955 22-30
 4. Tulsa 1955 21-31
 5. UConn 2016 19-30

Field Goals Made

1. 41 1969 Texas A&M
 2. 34 2021 Georgetown
 3. 33 1997 Indiana
 4. 30 1963 Oklahoma City
 30 1955 Bradley

Field Goal Attempts

1. 82 1955 Bradley
 2. 72 1969 Texas A&M
 3. 70 1969 Colorado State
 4. 68 1997 Indiana
 5. 66 1955 Bradley

Double-Doubles

12 pts, 13 asst: McKinley Wright IV vs. Georgetown, 3/20/21
 23 pts, 11 reb: Josh Scott vs. UConn, 3/17/16
 12 pts, 16 rbs: Andre Roberson vs. UNLV, 3/15/12
 17 pts, 10 rbs: Martice Moore vs. Indiana, 3/13/97
 24 pts, 16 rbs: Cliff Meely vs. Texas A&M, 3/15/69
 18 pts, 11 rbs: Mike Coleman vs. Texas A&M, 3/15/69
 32 pts, 11 rbs: Cliff Meely vs. Colorado State, 3/13/69
 23 pts, 12 rbs: Ken Charlton vs. Cincinnati, 3/16/63
 11 pts, 12 rbs: Jim Davis vs. Cincinnati, 3/16/63
 28 pts, 14 rbs: Burdie Halderson vs. Tulsa, 3/10/55
 23 pts, 10 rbs: Burdie Halderson vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 10 pts, 19 rbs: Jim Ranglos vs. Bradley, 3/15/55
 26 pts, 12 rbs: Ken Charlton vs. Oklahoma City, 3/15/63
 16 pts, 17 rbs: Jim Davis vs. Oklahoma City, 3/15/63

NIT TEAMS

2021-22

Colorado was 21-12 overall and finished in sole possession of fourth place in the Pac-12 Conference regular season standings at 12-8. Colorado closed the regular season by winning seven of eight games to clinch a first round bye in the Pac-12 Tournament for the second-straight season and advanced to the semifinal round for the fifth time. Colorado's 6-4 record on the road in the Pac-12 marked its first winning conference road record since 1963-64. Colorado's six conference road wins were the program's most since the 1961-62 team had six (6-1). The Buffaloes earned a No. 4 seed in one of four eight-team brackets for the NIT, falling to St. Bonaventure, 76-68, in a first round game at the CU Events Center. Sophomore forward Jabari Walker earned All-District and All-Pac-12 First team honors and would be a second round pick by the Portland Trail Blazers in the 2022 NBA Draft. Colorado's senior class capped off a four-year run with 88 wins, the second most in any four-year span in team history. Evan Battey was the only one of the four-year seniors (Elijah Parquet and Benan Ersek the others) to have been on the floor for all 88 games, giving him the title of playing in the most wins in team history.



Front Row (L to R): Elijah Parquet, Luke O'Brien, Jabari Walker, Tristan da Silva, Evan Battey, Lawson Lovering, Will Loughlin, Cody Mains, Nique Clifford, Quincy Allen, Keeshawn Barthelemy. Back Row (L to R): Benan Ersek, Javon Ruffin, Jack Pease, Director of Player Development Zach Ruebesam, Assistant Coach Rick Ray, Director of Operations Bill Cartun, Head Coach Tad Boyle, Assistant Coach Bill Grier, Associate Head Coach Mike Rohn, Amondo Miller Jr., Julian Hammond III, KJ Simpson.



Front Row (L to R): Dallas Walton, Lucas Siewert, Evan Battey, Alexander Strating, Deleon Brown, Namon Wright, McKinley Wright IV, D'Shawn Schwartz, Tyler Bey, Frank Ryder, Jakub Dombek. Back Row (L to R): Eli Parquet, Shane Gatling, AJ Martinka, Director of Operations Bill Cartun, Assistant Coach Kim English, Associate Head Coach Mike Rohn, Head Coach Tad Boyle, Assistant Coach Bill Grier, Director of Player Development Sean Kearney, Benan Ersek, Aidan McQuade, Daylen Kountz.

2018-19

Colorado was 23-13 overall and finished in a tie for fourth place in the Pac-12 regular season standings at 10-8. After a 2-6 start to Pac-12 play, the Buffaloes won 12 of their final 16 games, reaching the NIT Quarterfinals. Colorado's 8-2 run in the final 10 games of the regular season tied for the program's fourth-best in the NCAA Tournament era (since 1938) and the best since 1961-62. It was the 10th 20-win season in team history and sixth under head coach Tad Boyle. Colorado's 23 wins tied for the third most in team history and just one away from the school record of 24. The Buffaloes recorded double-digit conference wins for the fifth time in eight seasons of the Pac-12 era and the first since 2015-16. Colorado claimed record of .500 or better in conference play (includes Big 12) for the sixth time in nine seasons. Following a run to the Pac-12 Tournament semifinals, Colorado claimed a No. 4 seed in the NIT, defeating Dayton and Norfolk State at home, before falling to eventual champion Texas in the quarterfinals. Sophomores McKinley Wright IV and Tyler Bey were selected to the All-Pac-12 First Team while Bey was voted the league's Most Improved Player of the Year.

2016-17

Colorado made its school-record seventh-straight postseason appearance after a seventh place finish in the Pac-12 Conference. The Buffaloes rebounded from an 0-7 start to their league season to win nine of 13 down the stretch to claim their 10th NIT invite. Colorado had its share of big moments throughout the season. The Buffaloes won three games against ranked opponents, including a 74-65 triumph over No. 10/10 Oregon at the Coors Events Center; a Ducks team that would eventually reach the Final Four. Colorado also took down No. 22/21 Texas in Brooklyn and topped No. 13/14 Xavier during the nonconference schedule. Senior guard Derrick White had one of the finest seasons by an individual in a Buffaloes uniform. White earned All-Pac-12 first team and All-District honors averaging 18.1 points, 4.1 rebounds and 4.4 assists per game. He joined Shaun Vandiver as the only CU players to score 30 or more points twice in a single postseason. White had 31 points in the Pac-12 quarterfinals vs. Arizona and then would score 30 in CU's NIT opening round loss at UCF. A former Division II All-American at UCCS, White catapulted into the national spotlight during his one year at Colorado and was selected 29th overall in the 2017 NBA Draft by the San Antonio Spurs.



Front (L to R): Josh Repine, Thomas Akyazili, Deleon Brown, Josh Fortune, Wesley Gordon, Xavier Johnson, Derrick White, George King, Dominique Collier, Josh Lombard. Back Row (L to R): Namon Wright, Lucas Siewert, Dallas Walton, Assistant Coach Bill Grier, Director of Operations Bill Cartun, Head Coach Tad Boyle, Associate Head Coach Jean Prioleau, Director of Player Development Sean Kearney, Assistant Coach Mike Rohn, Tory Miller, Alexander Strating, Bryce Peters.



Standing (L-R): Director of Operations Rodney Billups, Coordinator of Operations Bill Cartun, Assistant Coach Jean Prioleau, Marcus Relphorde, Austin Dufault, Shane Harris-Tunks, Ben Mills, Trey Eckloff, Hassan Safieddine, Head coach Tad Boyle, Assistant coach Mike Rohn, Assistant Coach Tom Abatemarco. Sitting (L-R): Carlton Brown, Nate Tomlinson, Shannon Sharpe, Javon Coney, Alec Burks, Cory Higgins, Levi Knutson, Sabatino Chen, Andre Roberson.

2010-11

In Tad Boyle's first season as Colorado's head coach, the Buffs won a school-record 24 games (14 losses) in reaching the NIT semifinals at Madison Square Garden. Considered by most analysts to have been the NCAA Tournament's biggest snub, CU made the most of their NIT appearance by winning three-straight games before ultimately falling to Alabama in the semis. Led by senior Cory Higgins, who tied Richard Roby for CU's all-time career scoring title (2,001 points), and All-Big 12 unanimous first team selection Alec Burks, the Buffs boasted a potent offensive attack that ranked 12th nationally in scoring (79.6 ppg) and fifth nationally in free throw percentage (77.8 percent). Burks set a CU record for most points in a season with 779, surpassing Cliff Meely's mark that stood for 40 years. The season marked the first time that the Buffs had six players record over 100 made field goals in a season (Burks 251, Higgins 200, Levi Knutson 158, Marcus Relphorde 148, Austin Dufault 104, Andre Roberson 101). Roberson set a CU freshmen record by recording 297 rebounds for the season, and also became the first freshman in school history to lead the team in rebounds, steals (51) and blocks (42). Knutson was honored with the co-Big 12 Sixth Man of the Year Award.

2005-06

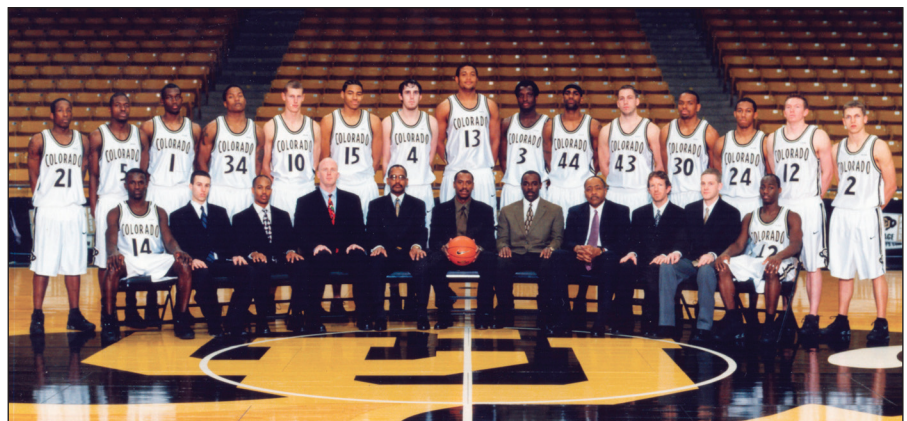
Led by a veteran roster of 10 seniors and an All-Big 12 first team selection, in sophomore Richard Roby, the Buffs tallied a 20-10 overall record to earn the school's eighth NIT berth. Coach Ricardo Patton's club ran off to one of the best starts in the program's history, with a 10-1 record before conference play. The season marked the first time three players had made over 50 3-pointers in a season (Roby 63, Andy Osborn 53, Chris Copeland 50). CU became nationally ranked for the first time since the 1996-97 season, coming in at No. 25 team in the country by the USA Today/Coaches' Poll for two straight weeks (Jan. 30-Feb. 12), and tied the school record for home wins in a season, with 14.



Standing (l-r): Kyle Carder, Ryan Dermody, Marcus King-Stockton, Calvin Williams, Julius Ashby, Lamont Arrington, Andy Osborn, Chris Copeland, Scott Senger, Jeryml Jackson-Wilson. Sitting (l-r): Glean Eddy, Chase Perkowski, Billy Boidock, Marcus Hall, Dominique Coleman, Jayson Obazuaye, Antoine McGee, Martane Freeman, Richard Roby.

2003-04

Colorado won 18 games for the fifth time under coach Ricardo Patton, including 10 in conference play, the most since recording 11 back in the 1996-97 season, and earned a number four seed in the Big 12 Tournament in Dallas. The trio of David Harrison, Blair Wilson, and Michel Morandais each surpassed the 1,000 points in a career mark, en route to the Buffaloes' third NIT berth during Patton's eight years as head coach. Harrison would break the CU record for blocks in a career with a three-block performance against Utah. Harrison went on to block 85 shots during the season and after only three years in a CU uniform, would hold every blocked shot record category. Wilson also broke a bundle of records during the season, as the senior made six treys in a game against Iowa State to break or tie four school records, most notably the school record for career 3-pointers. The Buffaloes ended the year with a first round loss at Oregon, 77-72, in overtime.



Standing (l-r): Marcus Hall, Jayson Obazuaye, Glean Eddy, Keith Smith, Scott Senger, Chris Copeland, Andy Osborn, David Harrison, Amadou Doumbouya, Lamar Harris, Blair Wilson, Michel Morandais, Trennis Jones, Brett Mattingly, Billy Boidock. Sitting (l-r): Michel Lasme, Manager Mark Ost, Athletic Trainer Derek Fitts, Assistant Coach Jason Shelton, Assistant Coach Paul Graham, Head Coach Ricardo Patton, Director of Operations Gerald Harris, Assistant Coach Terry Dunn, Equipment Manager Mike Smith, Manager Jackson Drieling, Antoine McGee.



Bottom (l-r): Jaquay Walls, Josh Townsend, Sam Sanders, Jose Winston, Nick Mohr. Middle: Ernest Renfro, D.J. Harrison, Aki Thomas. Standing: Richard Fox, Carlton Carter, Stephane Pelle, Will Smith, Kyle Williams, Jamahl Mosley.

1999-2000

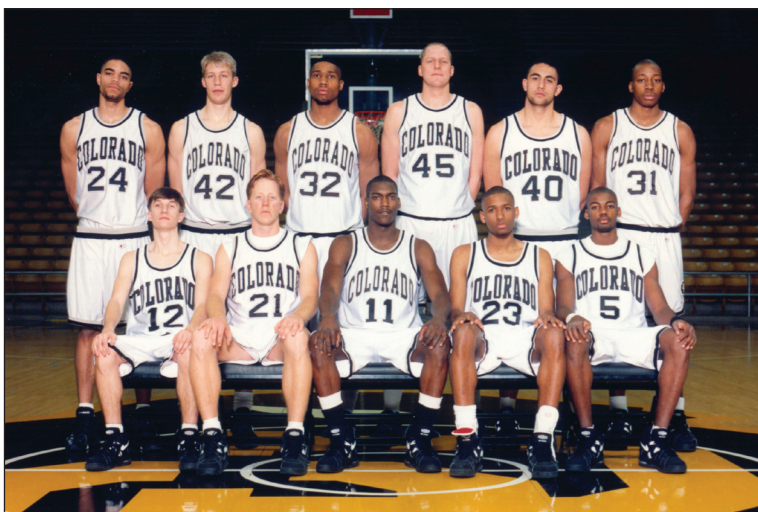
The Buffaloes marched out to an 11-5 pre-conference record to start out the 1999-2000 season, led by senior guard Jaquay Walls' 17-point scoring average and Jamahl Mosley and Stephane Pelle's control of the paint, with 7.1 and 6.9 rebounds per game, respectively. On Dec. 3 in Hawaii's Rainbow Classic, Colorado defeated Gonzaga 81-77, making it the Buffs' third-straight victory over 1999 NCAA Tournament teams. In what many CU fans believe to be the best game at the Coors Events Center, CU came from behind to defeat Iowa State 102-90 in overtime. Walls scored a NCAA-record 15 points in the overtime, on his way to an astounding 42-point performance. At regular season's end the Buffs were invited to play in the NIT, only to fall in the first round to Southern Illinois 94-92. The invitation marked the third time in four years the Buffs had played in post-season tournaments.

1998-99

Colorado opened the 1998-99 campaign 9-3, where it would see five Buffs average double digits in scoring over the season. By the year's end, many Colorado players had established themselves as some of the elite in the Big 12. Junior Jaquay Walls was named to the All-Big 12 All-Underrated Team, as well as earning All-Big 12 Honorable Mention status. Senior guard Kenny Price was named to the All-Big 12 Third team, while also ranking third in the conference in points per game. Price's nine three-pointers in a Big 12 second round game against Texas would set a single game record, breaking his mark of eight from the year before. With his nine treys, Price would bring his total for the year to 97, the highest single-season total in CU history. In March, Colorado was selected to the NIT, marking the second time in three years that the Buffs made a post-season appearance. CU defeated first round opponent Pepperdine 65-61 in the tournament's opening round, before losing to intra-state rival Colorado State 76-86 in the second round.



Standing (l-r): Jeff Harada Head Manager, Kyle Williams, Will Smith, Aki Thomas, Carlton Carter, Jamahl Mosley, Ernest Renfro, Tyron Manlove, Nick Mohr, Assistant Coach Aki Collins. Sitting (l-r): Jaquay Walls, Dwight Jones, Assistant Coach Terry Dunn, Head Coach Ricardo Patton, Assistant Coach David Moe, Kenny Price, Jose Winston.



Bottom Row (l-r): Matt Daniel, Sande Goltart, Leroy Carter, Keith Higgins, Howard Frier. Top Row: Donnie Boyce, Greg Jensen, Mack Tuck, Ted Allen, Ted Kritza, Fred Edmonds.

1994-95

Colorado started off the 1994-95 season with a 10-3 record, including a convincing win of the Mile High Classic. The Buffs beat Eastern Washington and Hofstra by a combined 39 points for CU's fifth consecutive victory of their home tournament. On Jan. 7 in Boulder, the Buffs ended their 16-game losing streak against ranked teams, when they defeated No. 16 Iowa State 71-57, forcing a school record 31 turnovers by the opponent. After throwing down a fast break dunk, senior guard Donnie Boyce surpassed Cliff Meely (1967-71) to become Colorado's all-time leading scorer, finishing his illustrious career with 1,995 points. Boyce remains the only Colorado player to lead his team in scoring for four consecutive years. On Jan. 17 against Texas-San Antonio, senior Ted Allen blocked five shots to become CU's all-time leader in blocks, finishing with 53 on the year. At the season's end, Colorado qualified for the NIT, for only the second invitation to post-season play in 25 years and the first since the 1990-91 season. The Buffs finished the year with an above .500 winning percentage, for the first time since coach Joe Harrington's debut season with the team.

1990-91

The inside-outside combination of Shaun Vandiver and Steve Wise led the way for the Buffaloes in the 1990-91 season, where the duo combined for an average 41 points per game. The Buffs scored a school record 124 points, twice, in pre-conference match-ups against Central Connecticut State and Tennessee State, both ending in CU victories. Colorado ended a 22-year post-season drought by receiving an invitation to play in the NIT. The Buffaloes beat Michigan (71-64), Wyoming (83-75), Arkansas State (81-75), and Massachusetts (98-91) en route to a third place finish. Vandiver finished the year averaging 21.2 points and 10 rebounds per game, which was good enough to earn the senior center first team All-Big Eight honors, and a spot on the NIT All-Tournament team. Colorado finished the season with a 19-14 record, the team's best in 21 seasons.



Top (l-r): James Hunter, Charles Gentry, Asad Ali, Bill Markham, Shaun Vandiver, Randy Robinson, Rodell Guest. Bottom: Cornell Mann, Johnny Terrell, Stevie Wise, Cody Walters, Eric Elmburg, Billy Law.



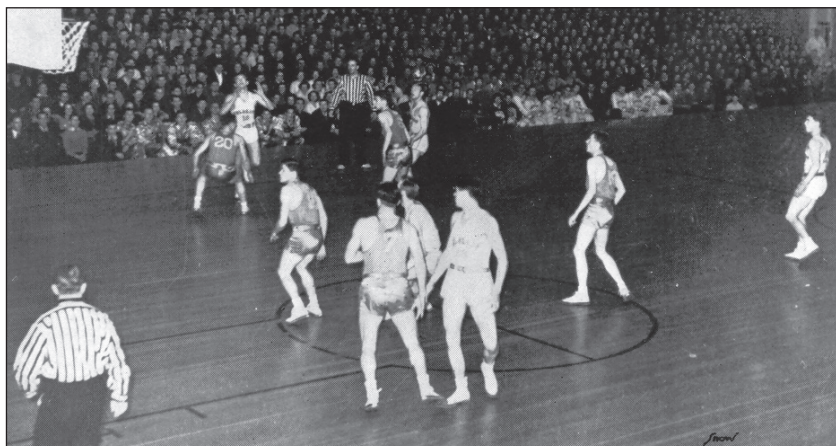
Head Coach: Forrest B. Cox. Numerical Order: Jack Harvey #3, Gene Grove #4, Bob Doll #5, Don Hendricks #6, Don Thurman #7, Leason McCloud #8, Bill Cates #9, George Hamburg #10, Dick Emery #12, Paul Schmidt #14, Martin Trotsky #15, John Musgrove #16, Jim Hickey #17, Dick Merrill #18.

1939-40

The 1939-40 edition of the Buffaloes tallied one of the best records in school history, finishing the year at 17-4. The team, led by coach Forrest Cox, dominated the Mountain States Conference with a conference record of 11-1, the sole loss coming from Utah State 31-29. Colorado qualified for the 1940 NIT in New York City, beating DePaul 52-37 and Duquesne 51-40. The Buffaloes then went on to participate in the NCAA Tournament, losing close games to Southern California (32-38) and Rice (60-56 OT). Colorado was the first team, and one of a select few, to play in both the NIT and NCAA tournaments in the same year.

1937-38

The Colorado men's basketball program earned its first postseason berth in the 1937-38 season, under the direction of third-year head coach Forrest Cox, in which the Buffs went undefeated at home during the season. 1938 featured the debut of the Mountain States Conference, in which the Buffaloes stacked up a record of 10-2 in conference play. Colorado went on to the NIT in New York City, where the Buffs edged out New York University 48-47 in their first game, before succumbing to Temple University by a score of 60-34, turning in a 15-6 record on the season.



Balch Fieldhouse was the home floor for the Buffaloes during the 1937-38 season.

Members on the team were Byron "Whiz" White, Jim Schwartz, Jack Harvey, Jim Willcoxon, Don Hendricks, Don Thurman, Jim Hickey, John Ravenscroft, Mark Saunders, Gene Grove, Charlie Hikes, Don Sidwell.

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12 Appearances

2021-22 (0-1)

St. Bonaventure 76, Colorado 68 Mar. 15 Boulder, Colo. (First Round)

2018-19 (2-1)

Colorado 78, Dayton 73 Mar. 19 Boulder, Colo. (First Round)
Colorado 76, Norfolk State 60 Mar. 25 Boulder, Colo. (Second Round)
Texas 68, Colorado 55 Mar. 27 Austin, Texas (Quarterfinal)

2016-17 (0-1)

UCF 79, Colorado 74 Mar. 15 Orlando, Fla. (First Round)

2010-11 (3-1)

Colorado 81, Texas Southern 74 Mar. 16 Boulder, Colo. (First Round)
Colorado 89, California 72 Mar. 18 Boulder, Colo. (Second Round)
Colorado 81, Kent State 74 Mar. 22 Boulder, Colo. (Quarterfinal)
Alabama 62, Colorado 61 Mar. 29 New York City, N.Y. (Semifinal)

2005-06 (0-1)

Old Dominion 79, Colorado 61 Mar. 15 Boulder, Colo. (First Round)

2003-04 (0-1)

Oregon 77, Colorado 72 (ot) Mar. 17 Eugene, Ore. (First Round)

1999-2000 (1-1)

Southern Illinois 94, Colorado 92 Mar. 16 Boulder, Colo.

1998-99 (1-1)

Colorado 65, Pepperdine 61 Mar. 10 Boulder, Colo.
Colorado State 86, Colorado 76 Mar. 16 Fort Collins, Colo.

1994-95 (0-1)

New Mexico State 98, Colorado 83 Mar. 15 Las Cruces, N.M.

1990-91 (4-1)

Colorado 71, Michigan 64 Mar. 13 Boulder, Colo.
Colorado 83, Wyoming 75 Mar. 18 Boulder, Colo.
Colorado 81, Arkansas State 75 Mar. 21 Boulder, Colo.
Oklahoma 88, Colorado 78 Mar. 25 New York, N.Y. (NIT Semifinal)
Colorado 98, Massachusetts 91 Mar. 27 New York, N.Y. (NIT Consolation Game)

1939-40 (2-0)

Colorado 52, DePaul 37 Mar. 13 New York, N.Y.
Colorado 51, Duquesne 40 Mar. 15 New York, N.Y. (NIT Championship)

1937-38 (1-1)

Colorado 48, New York University 47 Mar. 14 New York, N.Y.
Temple 60, Colorado 34 Mar. 16 New York, N.Y.

