



GENERAL FACTS:

Name of School: Spring Hill College
 City/State/Zip: Mobile, AL 36608
 Founded: 1830
 Enrollment: 1,477
 Nickname: Badgers
 School Colors: Purple & White
 Home Facility: Stan Galle Field
 Capacity: 1,000
 Affiliation: NAIA
 Conference: Gulf Coast Athletic
 President: Rev. Gregory Lucey, S.J.
 Athletic Director: Scott Westbrook
 Faculty Athletic Representative: Dr. David Dean
 Athletic Department Phone: 251-380-3485
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 Athletic Web Site: www.shcbadgers.com

COACHING STAFF:

Head Coach: Frank Sims
 Record at school/years: 623-624-3/25th season
 Career record/years: 659-634-3/26th season
 Office Phone: (251) 380-3486
 Assistant Coaches: Ty Hathorn, Drew Sims
 Athletic Trainer: Joe Baya, ATC
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TEAM INFORMATION:

Overall Record Last Year: 19-37
 Conference Record/Finish: 11-24/5th
 Players returning/lost/new: 20/9/12

Spring Hill College Mobile, Alabama

Spring Hill College is the first Catholic college in the Southeast, the third oldest Jesuit college and the fifth oldest Catholic college in the United States. The College is ranked among the top 15 Southern colleges and universities in U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Colleges." The campus is home to approximately 1,400 students and rests on 400 acres in one of Mobile's most noted neighborhoods. It is naturally landscaped and features huge oaks, azalea-lined walkways and an 18-hole golf course. Several campus buildings are listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Spring Hill has a long-standing record of excellence and a deep tradition in intercollegiate athletics. It is a member of the NAIA Gulf Coast Athletic Conference, which has schools in Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi. The GCAC holds conference championships in these sports: men's and women's basketball, men's and women's soccer, men's and women's cross-country, volleyball, baseball, softball, men's and women's tennis, and men's and women's golf.

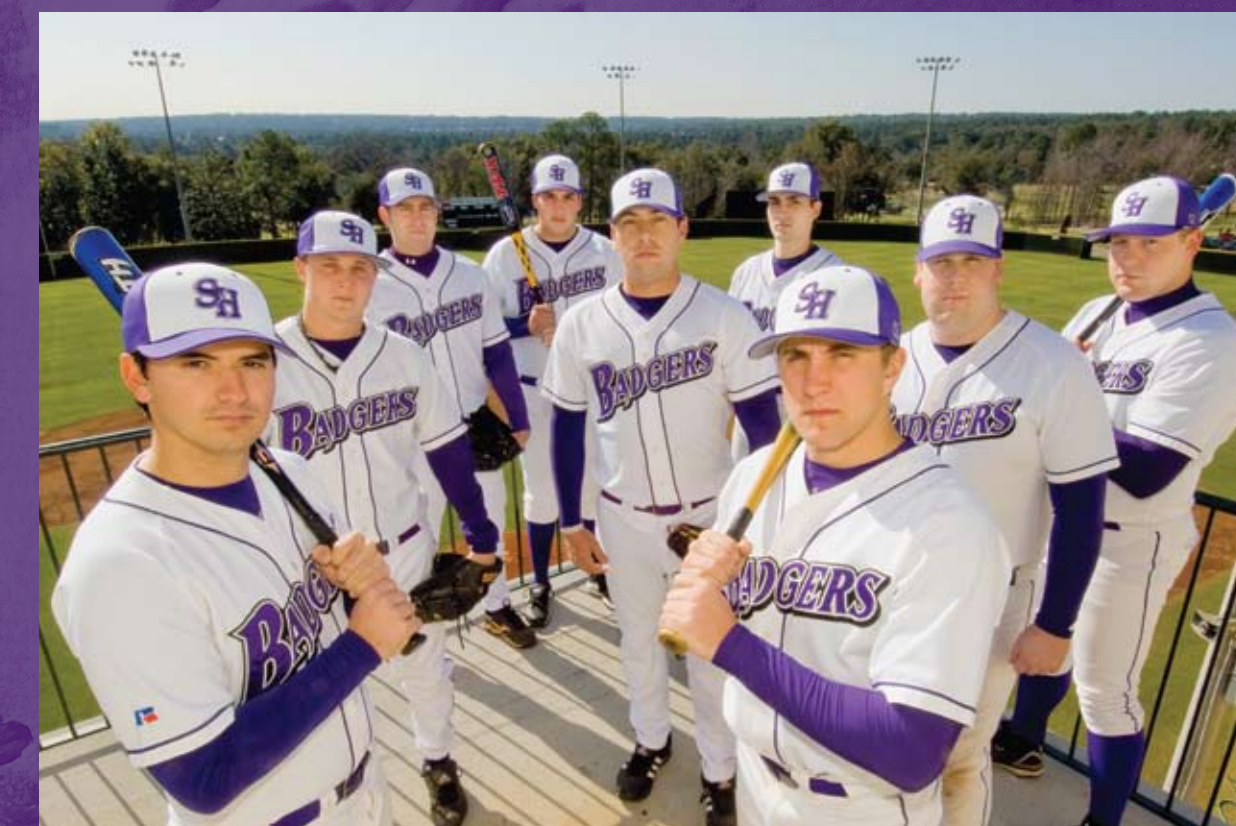


2009 BADGERS BASEBALL



DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
Jan. 23	Belhaven College*	Home	4 p.m.
Jan. 24	Belhaven College (DH)*	Home	1 p.m.
Jan. 30	at William Carey University*	Hattiesburg, Miss.	4 p.m.
Jan. 31	at William Carey University (DH)*	Hattiesburg, Miss.	1 p.m.
Feb. 3	Auburn-Montgomery	Home	4 p.m.
Feb. 6	at Tougaloo College*	Jackson, Miss.	2 p.m.
Feb. 7	at Tougaloo College (DH)*	Jackson, Miss.	1 p.m.
Feb. 13	Loyola-New Orleans*	Home	6 p.m.
Feb. 14	Loyola-New Orleans (DH)*	Home	1 p.m.
Feb. 20	University of Mobile*	Home	6 p.m.
Feb. 21	University of Mobile (DH)*	Home	1 p.m.
Feb. 28	at Thomas University	Thomasville, Ga.	2 p.m.
Mar. 1	at Thomas University (DH)	Thomasville, Ga.	12 p.m.
Mar. 3	Talladega College (DH)	Home	4 p.m.
Mar. 7	at LSU-Shreveport (DH)*	Shreveport, La.	1 p.m.
Mar. 8	at LSU-Shreveport*	Shreveport, La.	1 p.m.
Mar. 9	Lyon College	Home	5 p.m.
Mar. 10	Concordia-Selma (DH)	Home	4 p.m.
Mar. 13	at Belhaven College*	Jackson, Miss.	6 p.m.
Mar. 14	at Belhaven College (DH)*	Jackson, Miss.	1 p.m.
Mar. 20	William Carey University*	Home	6 p.m.
Mar. 21	William Carey University (DH)*	Home	1 p.m.
Mar. 23	at Concordia-Selma (DH)	Selma, Ala.	12 p.m.
Mar. 27	Tougaloo College*	Home	6 p.m.
Mar. 28	Tougaloo College (DH)*	Home	1 p.m.
Mar. 31	Thomas University (DH)	Home	3 p.m.
Apr. 3	at Loyola-New Orleans*	New Orleans, La.	6 p.m.
Apr. 4	at Loyola-New Orleans (DH)*	New Orleans, La.	1 p.m.
Apr. 10	at University of Mobile*	Univ. of Mobile	2 p.m.
Apr. 11	at University of Mobile (DH)*	Univ. of Mobile	1 p.m.
Apr. 14	at Talladega College (DH)	Talladega, Ala.	1 p.m.
Apr. 17	LSU-Alexandria	Home	6 p.m.
Apr. 18	LSU-Alexandria (DH)	Home	1 p.m.
Apr. 21	at Auburn-Montgomery	Montgomery, Ala.	5 p.m.
Apr. 24	LSU-Shreveport*	Home	6 p.m.
Apr. 25	LSU-Shreveport (DH)*	Home	1 p.m.
Apr. 28-May 2	at GCAC Tournament	Hattiesburg, Miss.	TBA

*-GCAC game (DH)- Doubleheader



Spring Hill College
BASEBALL

HEAD COACH



Frank Sims

Frank Sims starts his 25th season at the helm of the Badgers and has compiled a 623-624-3 record over that span. Over the 26 years he has served as a collegiate skipper, he has accumulated a career record of 659-634-3. Holding the record for most wins as a Spring Hill head coach, his record includes 16 20-win seasons, six 30-win seasons, two 40-win seasons and four Gulf Coast Athletic Conference championships. Under his leadership, Spring Hill has appeared in the NAIA Regional Tournament four times and Sims has been honored as GCAC Coach of the Year on four occasions.



Ty Hathorn

A native of Bassfield, Miss., Ty Hathorn begins his second season with the Badger staff. Hathorn played four years for Spring Hill College as an outfielder and served as a team captain for the Badgers as a senior. He was a tireless worker as a player and is proving to have the same work ethic as a coach.



Drew Sims

Drew Sims joins the Badger coaching staff after a successful playing career at Spring Hill College. A 4-year starter, Sims was a career .332 hitter and averaged just seven errors per year at second base and shortstop. He set school records for career and single-season sacrifice hits and flies. Sims played in over 185 games as a Badger and served as a team captain in his junior and senior seasons.

On The Cover:
The Senior Class of 2009.

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PREVIEW 2009

Head Coach Frank Sims likes what he sees in the 25th edition of his Spring Hill College baseball team. "We have a good combination of old and new this year," he says. "Our freshmen and our veteran players are focused and worked hard in the fall workouts. The key to our success this year is that we must be consistent for all nine innings of every game. Our lack of consistency hurt us last year, but this time our players have the focus to compete with anyone."

The Badgers' major offensive weakness in 2008 was stranding runners in scoring position. This year, however, he feels that his team packs more punch in their bats. Junior outfielder Ryan Hall of Fort Myers, Fla., will be at the top of the lineup card due to his overall consistency of reaching base. Hall finished last year atop virtually every offensive category on the team including total hits (67), runs scored (39) and stolen bases (21). Following Hall will be fellow junior outfielder Justin Harrison from Mobile's W.P. Davidson High and sophomore first baseman Brad Holstein of New Orleans, La. Harrison is a good contact hitter who understands the importance of moving runners along and enjoys playing "small ball" with his bunting skills and an ability to draw walks. In 2008, he reached base 16 times via hit-by-pitch, proving his "take it for the team" attitude. Holstein led the Badgers with a .321 average as a freshman, but also showed signs of power by collecting nine doubles and three homeruns.

Pitching should prove to be a strength this season. Junior left-hander Nick Clapper from Mobile's McGill-Toolen returns following a strong showing in 2008 when he recorded five complete games and three shutouts. Senior Matt Hasley of Daphne, Ala., got stronger in the latter half of last season and finished with a 4-4 record and 53 strikeouts in 66.2 innings of work. Senior Michael Bouché from Chalmette, La., moved from the bullpen to a starting role in 2008 and allowed just 22 walks versus 264 batters-faced.

Mid-week starters will include sophomore Chris Bruce from Huntsville, Ala., who started seven games as a freshman, and junior Phillip Stewart of Grand Bay, Ala., who missed all of last season with injuries, but recorded a 2-2 record in six starts in 2007. Freshmen Quinn Nichols of Mobile's Faith Academy, William Tillman from Theodore, Ala., and Josh Essington from Ocean Springs, Miss., will also get starting nods this season.

Relief pitching was inconsistent in 2008, but Sims believes this year's squad should be much improved. Senior Mike Scanio of Tampa, Fla., and junior Tony Matterna from St. Louis, Mo., will provide relief in the middle innings while senior Todd Kline from Gulf Shores, Ala., will be called on to close the door in the final innings. Kline saw action in 14 games last year with 23 strikeouts in 27.2 innings of work.

Defensively, Spring Hill will feature an excellent outfield and a solid infield package to back up the pitching. Junior Blake Nelson of Mobile will take over at third base while red-shirt freshman transfer Ryan Cummings from McGill-Toolen will move into the shortstop position. Junior Pat O'Malley of Ormond Beach, Fla., will anchor second base and Holstein will round out the infield at first base. Nelson, O'Malley and Holstein are no strangers to the Spring Hill infield as they each drew numerous starts last year. Junior Dom Palumbo from St. Louis along with freshmen Stephen Herrington of Mobile and both Kiefer Gingles and John Hollingsworth from Daphne will develop into valuable utility infielders as they gain experience.

In the outfield, Hall, a 2008 Gulf Coast Athletic Conference Gold Glove winner, will once again patrol right field with Harrison directing the action from centerfield. Junior Andy McCall from St. Louis will take over in left field with sophomore Grant Brasher of Bridgeton, Mo., waiting in the wings. Senior walk-on Bryan Hritz from Metairie, La., and freshman Nick Leslie, a Mobile native, will add to Sims' lineup options as the season progresses.

Donning the "tools of ignorance" behind the plate, senior Billy Saliski returns for his second full season of action. Saliski hit a respectable .250 in 2008 while gunning down 17 attempted base stealers with just five passed balls in 42 starts. Freshman Fred Rossi from Shreveport, La., will provide Saliski with some midweek days off while earning his stripes as a collegiate backstop.

Sims will have a wide selection for his designated hitter and to bat in pinch-hitting roles. Seniors Javier Cherta from Miami, Fla., Jared Bonvillain of Geismar, La., and Craig Lehman of Mobile each had success when called upon last season. Cherta drew a team-high 21 walks while Bonvillain picked up 14 hits including three doubles and 13 RBI, and Lehman hit .341 with a .439 slugging percentage. This year, the Badgers add hot-hitting freshman Lucas Dobson from Murphy High in Mobile, making Sims' decision that much more pleasantly difficult.

"This season really depends on our confidence level," says Sims. "We have the talent and our players are putting in the necessary effort. If we play smart baseball and don't let our mistakes put us in a hole, we'll compete with everybody in our conference."



1 Pat White INF Junior • 5'10"
2 Ryan Hall OF Junior • 5'8"
3 Justin Harrison OF Junior • 5'8"
4 Billy Saliski C Senior • 5'11"
5 Blake Nelson INF Junior • 5'9"
8 Todd Kline P/INF Senior • 5'10"
9 Lucas Dobson INF Sophomore • 5'11"



11 Andy McCall OF Junior • 6'0"
12 Pat O'Malley INF Junior • 5'10"
13 Tony Matterna P Junior • 6'0"
14 Kiefer Gingles INF Freshman • 6'0"
15 Matt Hasley P Senior • 6'0"
16 Michael Bouché P Senior • 6'2"
17 Ryan Cummings INF Freshman • 6'0"



18 John Hollingsworth INF Freshman • 6'1"
20/10 Grant Brasher OF Sophomore • 6'0"
21 Javier Cherta INF Senior • 6'1"
22 Mike Scanio INF Senior • 6'0"
23 Nick Clapper P Junior • 6'1"
24 Chris Bruce P Sophomore • 6'2"
25 Phillip Stewart P Junior • 6'4"



26 William Tillman P Freshman • 6'3"
27 Dom Palumbo INF Junior • 5'10"
29 Fred Rossi C Freshman • 6'2"
30 Brad Holstein INF Sophomore • 6'2"
31 Josh Essington P Freshman • 5'10"
32 Brian Hritz OF Senior • 6'0"
33 Craig Lehman INF Senior • 6'2"



34 Jared Bonvillain INF Senior • 6'2"
35 Quinn Nichols P/INF Freshman • 6'1"
36 Stephen Herrington INF/P Freshman • 6'1"
40 Nick Leslie OF Freshman • 5'11"



2009 ROSTER

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	CLASS	HT.	WT.	HOMETOWN/PREVIOUS SCHOOL(S)
1	Pat White	INF	Jr.	5'10"	167	Homewood, Ala./Homewood High
2	Ryan Hall	OF	Jr.	5'8"	175	Fort Myers, Fla./Bishop Verot High
3	Justin Harrison	OF	Jr.	5'8"	150	Mobile, Ala./W.P. Davidson High
4	Billy Saliski	C	Sr.	5'11"	190	Montgomery, Ala./Montgomery Catholic
5	Blake Nelson	INF	Jr.	5'9"	160	Mobile, Ala./W.P. Davidson High
8	Todd Kline	P/INF	Sr.	5'10"	175	Mobile, Ala./Gulf Shores High/Bryan College
9	Lucas Dobson	INF	So.	5'11"	185	Mobile, Ala./Murphy High
11	Andy McCall	OF	Jr.	6'0"	195	St. Louis, Mo./DeSmet Jesuit High
12	Pat O'Malley	INF	Jr.	5'10"	175	Ormond Beach, Fla./Father Lopez
13	Tony Matterna	P	Jr.	6'0"	195	St. Louis, Mo./St. Louis University High
14	Kiefer Gingles	INF	Fr.	6'0"	170	Daphne, Ala./Daphne Academy
15	Matt Hasley	P	Sr.	6'0"	190	Daphne, Ala./Bayside High
16	Michael Bouché	P	Sr.	6'2"	215	Chalmette, La./Holy Cross High
17	Ryan Cummings	INF	Fr.	6'0"	180	Mobile, Ala./McGill-Toolen/SE Louisiana
18	John Hollingsworth	INF	Fr.	6'1"	172	Daphne, Ala./Spanish Fort High
20/10	Grant Brasher	OF	So.	6'0"	195	Bridgeton, Mo./DeSmet Jesuit High
21	Javier Cherta	INF	Sr.	6'1"	215	Miami, Fla./LaSalle High
22	Mike Scanio	INF	Sr.	6'0"	175	Tampa, Fla./Tampa Jesuit
23	Nick Clapper	P	Jr.	6'1"	170	Mobile, Ala./McGill-Toolen Catholic High
24	Chris Bruce	P	So.	6'2"	205	Huntsville, Ala./Huntsville High
25	Phillip Stewart	P	Jr.	6'4"	205	Grand Bay, Ala./Alma Bryant High
26	William Tillman	P	Fr.	6'3"	215	Theodore, Ala./Theodore High
27	Dom Palumbo	INF	Jr.	5'10"	160	St. Louis, Mo./St. Louis University High
29	Fred Rossi	C	Fr.	6'2"	205	Shreveport, La./Loyola College Prep
30	Brad Holstein	INF	So.	6'2"	220	New Orleans, La./Jesuit High
31	Josh Essington	P	Fr.	5'10"	179	Ocean Springs, Miss./St. Patrick Catholic
32	Bryan Hritz	OF	Sr.	6'0"	180	Metairie, La./Jesuit High
33	Craig Lehman	INF	Sr.	6'2"	255	Mobile, Ala./W.P. Davidson/Bishop State CC
34	Jared Bonvillain	INF	Fr.	6'2"	230	Geismar, La./Catholic High
35	Quinn Nichols	P/INF	Fr.	6'1"	245	Mobile, Ala./Faith Academy
36	Stephen Herrington	INF/P	Fr.	6'1"	185	Mobile, Ala./Mary G. Montgomery High
40	Nick Leslie	OF	Fr.	5'11"	207	Mobile, Ala./Murphy High

7 Frank Sims – Head Coach 28 Ty Hathorn – Assistant Coach 6 Drew Sims – Assistant Coach

2008 FINAL STATISTICS

Record: 19-37 Home: 13-18 Away: 6-18 Neutral: 0-1 Conference: 11-25

Score by Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	-	R
Opponents	40	46	50	34	46	50	34	25	18	2	-	345
Spring Hill College	38	19	46	59	37	32	26	13	3	1	-	274

Batting	GP	GS	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB	SBA
Garcia, Mario	19	0	0.500	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.500	0	0	0	0	0.500	0	0	0	0
Gieseking, Tommy	21	2	0.500	2	0	1	0	0	0	3	1	0.500	0	0	0	0	0.500	0	0	0	0
Harrison, Justin	37	37	0.345	116	18	40	8	1	0	17	50	0.431	10	16	15	5	0.465	0	5	8	8
Lehman, Craig	22	9	0.341	41	7	14	4	0	0	9	18	0.439	4	4	9	1	0.449	0	1	1	1
Holstein, Brad	52	48	0.321	156	27	50	9	0	3	28	68	0.436	17	6	35	2	0.403	2	1	1	1
Hall, Ryan	56	56	0.316	212	39	67	11	2	4	32	94	0.443	16	4	26	3	0.372	2	4	21	23
Dobson, Lucas	13	9	0.310	29	6	9	1	0	0	3	10	0.345	3	1	8	0	0.394	0	1	1	1
Nelson, Blake	46	36	0.284	116	24	33	6	1	0	12	41	0.353	5	2	18	2	0.325	0	4	7	7
Connors, Tom	50	48	0.278	133	23	37	3	0	0	19	40	0.301	21	6	15	0	0.398	1	3	1	1
Stewart, Sam	55	53	0.278	169	29	47	9	0	1	16	59	0.349	16	5	35	5	0.354	2	2	7	11
Cherta, Javier	41	27	0.253	83	7	21	7	0	0	9	28	0.337	21	1	23	1	0.410	0	2	1	1
Saliski, Billy	43	42	0.250	140	10	35	9	0	2	19	50	0.357	20	0	19	0	0.335	4	4	1	1
Moberg, Tyler	52	50	0.244	172	21	42	3	0	3	27	54	0.314	16	4	18	5	0.315	5	2	0	0
Bonvillain, Jared	35	12	0.230	61	5	14	3	0	2	13	23	0.377	5	0	18	3	0.288	0	0	0	0
White, Patrick	30	25	0.196	56	16	11	1	0	0	3	12	0.214	5	5	13	2	0.318	0	2	5	6
Brasher, Grant	33	9	0.194	31	16	6	1	0	0	3	7	0.226	5	1	10	0	0.316	1	2	4	5
Rossi, Christian	40	15	0.173	52	13	9	0	1	0	5	11	0.212	2	2	9	1	0.232	0	3	1	1
O'Malley, Pat	30	29	0.157	83	9	13	3	0	0	10	16	0.193	5	3	13	3	0.228	1	3	1	1
Chadick, Taylor	15	13	0.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0	1	0	0.000	0	0	0	0
Kline, Todd	18	1	0.000	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0	2	1	0.000	0	0	0	0
Clapper, Nick	19	14	0.000	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0	0	0
Palumbo, Dom	7	0	0.000	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.000	1	0	0	0	0.500	0	0	0	0

Total: 56 0.271 1660 274 450 78 5 15 228 583 0.351 172 60 287 34 0.357 18 38 60 68
Opponents: 56 0.311 1702 345 529 120 13 40 315 795 0.467 216 55 297 22 0.400 29 27 110 140

LOB - Team (411), Opp (441)

Pitching	ERA	W	L	GP	GS	CG	SHO	CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	TBF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Matterna, Tony	3.86	1	0	13	1	0	0	0	0	18.2	21	10	8	19	5	7	0	1	103	0.276	6	6	0	1	1
Hasley, Matt	4.05	4	4	16	9	1	1	1	0	66.2	67	37	30	40	53	12	2	5	309	0.262	5	5	1	4	4
Clapper, Nick	4.30	5	5	15	14	5	3	0	0	83.2	91	43	30	33	72	23	3	7	372	0.279	5	4	0	3	6
Kline, Todd	6.51	1	3	14	1	0	0	0	1	27.2	33	24	20	20	23	5	0	1	142	0.306	5	10	2	2	2
Poyner, Jonathan	6.59	0	1	12	1	0	0	0	0	13.2	15	15	10	12	6	4	0	0	77	0.268	3	4	0	3	2
Chadick, Taylor	7.04	3	8	14	13	3	1	1	0	62.2	85	60	49	28	42	18	5	6	304	0.324	9	5	0	5	4
Bouché, Michael	7.44	1	3	17	8	0	0	0	0	55.2	76	51	46	22	37	20	0	7	264	0.326	4	3	0	2	4
Gieseking, Tommy	7.55	0	4	20	2	0	0	0	0	31.0	49	34	26	14	20	8	3	5	165	0.360	0	9	1	5	1
Bruce, Chris	8.15	2	5	13	7	0	0	1	0	38.2	62	45	35	19	22	15	0	6	196	0.365	1	4	4	3	0
Garcia, Mario	9.77	2	4	17	0	0	0	0	2	15.2	30	26	17	9	17	8	0	2	97	0.380	3	5	0	1	3

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Opponents: 4.23 37 19 56 12 4 7 11 421.0 450 529 198