

Frederick Douglass High School Boys Basketball 2025-26

Team Outlook

Frederick Douglass High School enters the 2025–26 season as one of Kentucky’s premier athletic programs, known for competing at the highest levels in boys’ and girls’ basketball as well as 6A football. The Broncos continue to build on a tradition of excellence that has produced Division I athletes across multiple sports.

This year’s basketball team is led by Mr. Basketball candidate **Demarcus Surratt**, a dynamic, high-flying athlete who was named Third-Team All-State for the 2024–25 season. Surratt recently signed with Division I Bellarmine University, and his explosiveness and versatility position him as one of the most exciting players in the state.

The Broncos are coming off a 25–5 season, narrowly falling to eventual state champion Great Crossing in a thrilling regional final—one of the most memorable games in recent years. Despite returning significant talent, the team will begin the season short-handed, with four of the top eight players still competing in the football playoffs, including two dual-sport standouts **Terry Cayson**, who holds Division I offers in both football and basketball. Plus, last year’s starting Point guard **Dakari Talbert**, who is a Div. I prospect in Football and an outstanding basketball player who was MVP of last year’s Holiday Tournament. Fans will get an early look at several key contributors, including **Tate Robinson**, the program’s single-season three-point record holder and a premier shooter in the region, **Nate Coen**, a long, versatile forward known for rim protection and defensive impact, and **K.J. Jones**, a skilled point guard and transfer from crosstown rival Lafayette who brings experience and poise.

Head Coach **Murray Garvin** is excited about this group’s potential but acknowledges the early season challenges ahead. With a demanding schedule featuring Great Crossing, Louisville Moore, and an appearance in the prestigious King of the Bluegrass, the Broncos will need to gel quickly.

Despite the early obstacles, Frederick Douglass enters the season ranked No. 2 in multiple preseason coaches’ polls. Competing in a state with no basketball classifications—where only one champion is crowned—the Broncos are expected to be firmly in the hunt in March.

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