

# GAME NOTES



**CHICAGO SKY AT PHOENIX MERCURY**  
**GAME #6 | AUGUST 6, 2020**

## LAST GAME STARTERS



### #22 COURTNEY VANDERSLOOT

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	BPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
5'8"   138 LBS	5	31.4	11.4	4.2	8.6	1.0	0.2	45.7	47.1	70.0

**LAST GAME:** VANDERSLOOT POSTED HER 31ST CAREER DOUBLE-DOUBLE WITH ASSISTS. (IT WAS HER 48TH WITH A DOUBLE-DIGIT ASSIST TOTAL).



### #14 ALLIE QUIGLEY

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	BPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
5'10"   145 LBS	5	25.1	12.4	3.2	2.6	0.6	0.2	43.9	35.7	100

**LAST GAME:** QUIGLEY TIED FOR THE TEAM-LEAD IN POINTS (15) WHILE SHOOTING 60% (3-5) FROM BEYOND THE ARC.



### #2 KAHLEAH COPPER

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	BPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
6'1"   155 LBS	5	26.7	14.0	4.2	1.6	0.4	0.0	53.4	29.4	50.0

**LAST GAME:** COPPER CONTINUED HER EFFICIENT SHOOTING START BY GOING 5 FOR 9 (55.6%) FROM THE FLOOR, THE 5TH CONSECUTIVE GAME WHERE SHE SHOT OVER 50%.



### #30 AZURÁ STEVENS

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	BPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
6'6"   180 LBS	5	28.4	14.2	6.6	1.4	1.0	1.6	56.0	47.6	100

**LAST GAME:** STEVENS RECORDED HER 2ND CAREER DOUBLE-DOUBLE IN HER 1ST GAME V. DALLAS WINGS, THE FRANCHISE THAT DRAFTED HER IN 2018.



### #32 CHEYENNE PARKER

	G	MPG	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	BPG	FG%	3PT%	FT%
6'4"   193 LBS	5	28.8	13.6	6.6	1.6	1.6	0.2	54.5	50.0	81.0

**LAST GAME:** PARKER LED THE TEAM IN SCORING FOR THE 3RD CONSECUTIVE GAME WITH 15 POINTS.

## INJURY REPORT

**STEFANIE DOLSON - OUT (ANKLE)**  
**JANTEL LAVENDER - OUT (LEFT FOOT)**



## 2020 CHICAGO SKY ROSTER

No.	Name.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	DOB	Years Pro.
1	Diamond DeShields	G	6'1"	167	3/5/95	2
2	Kaheah Copper	G	6'1"	160	8/28/94	4
7	Jantel Lavender	F	6'4"	185	11/12/88	9
8	Stella Johnson	G	5'10"	158	7/11/98	R
14	Allie Quigley	G	5'10"	145	6/20/86	11
15	Gabby Williams	F	5'11"	180	9/9/96	2
22	Courtney Vandersloot	G	5'8"	138	2/8/89	9
24	Ruthy Hebard	F	6'4"	lbs	4/28/98	R
30	Azurá Stevens	F	6'6"	180	2/1/96	2
31	Stefanie Dolson	C	6'5"	240	1/8/92	6
32	Cheyenne Parker	F	6'4"	210	8/22/92	5
51	Sydney Colson	G	5'8"	140	8/6/89	6

GENERAL MANAGER & HEAD COACH: JAMES WADE

ASSISTANT COACHES: OLAF LANGE, EMRE VATANSEVER

DIRECTOR OF BASKETBALL OPS / STRENGTH & CONDITIONING: ANN CROSBY

HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER: MEGHAN LOCKERBY

## PRONUNCIATIONS

Kahleah (**Kuh-LEE-ah**) Copper (**Cop-PURR**)

Ruthy Hebard (**HE-bird**)

Cheyenne (**SHY-ann**) Parker

Azurá (**azz-ur-RAY**) Stevens

Courtney Vandersloot (**VAN-der-SLEWT**)

Jantel (**JANN-tell**) Lavender



**LAST GAME:** Chicago's 82-79 victory over Dallas marks 1st time since 2014 Sky has started season winning 4 out of first 5 games.

- ❖ Chicago remains atop of the WNBA standings with a record of 4-1.
- ❖ Three of the four Sky victories this season have been by three or fewer points.
- ❖ WNBA veteran **Sydney Colson** made her Sky and 2020 season debut.
- ❖ **Azurá Stevens** posted her 2nd career double-double off a 15-point, 10-rebound outing.
  - It was her 2nd double-double in the last 3 games.
- ❖ **Cheyenne Parker, Azurá Stevens** and **Kahleah Copper** accounted for 28 of the Sky's 43 first half points.
  - The aforementioned three players shot a combined 68.8% from the floor (11-16) in the first half.
- ❖ The Sky's starting five had a collective plus-minus of 56 and shot just under 53% (27-51) from the floor.
- ❖ **Allie Quigley, Stevens** and **Parker** each recorded 15 points, tying for the team-high tonight. It was the third consecutive game where Parker led or tied for the lead in scoring for the Sky.

## **BEST SEASON STARTS IN FRANCHISE HISTORY:**

### **AFTER 5 GAMES**

4-1 in 2012  
4-1 in 2013  
4-1 in 2014

### **AFTER 6 GAMES**

5-1 in 2012  
5-1 in 2014  
4-2 in 2013  
4-2 in 2019

➤ **2019 RECORD AFTER 5 GAMES: 3-2**

➤ **2019 RECORD AFTER 6 GAMES: 3-2**

**SKY STARTERS:** All five of Chicago's starters scored in double-figures vs. Dallas.

- ❖ It was the second time this season the starters have achieved this feat.
  - First time was July 28, 2020 vs. Los Angeles.
- ❖ Chicago achieved this twice in 2019:
  - July 12, 2019 vs. New York
  - August 20, 2019 vs. Atlanta
- ❖ For the season, the team starters are averaging –
  - **65.4 - PPG** (3rd best in the league)
  - **50% - FG%** (3rd best in the league)
  - **41.6% - 3FG%** (2nd best in the league)
  - **37 - 3PT FGM** (2nd in the league)

# TEAM COMPARISONS



PPG	87.0	4 <sup>TH</sup>
FG%	48.6	1 <sup>ST</sup>
3P FG%	38.8	2 <sup>ND</sup>
FT%	75.0	10 <sup>TH</sup>
OFF. REB%	26.1	8 <sup>TH</sup>
DEF. REB%	71.4	8 <sup>TH</sup>
REB.%	50.1	6 <sup>TH</sup>
APG	22.4	1 <sup>ST</sup>
TPG	15.8	7 <sup>TH</sup>
SPG	7.6	8 <sup>TH</sup>
BPG	3.0	6 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP PPG	82.4	5 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP FG%	43.6	3 <sup>RD</sup>
OPP 3P FG%	33.3	5 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP FT%	76.7	4 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP DREB	25.8	6 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP OREB	8.8	7 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP REB	34.6	6 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP APG	18.0	8 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP TPG	14.6	7 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP SPG	9.4	8 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP BLKS	2.4	6 <sup>TH</sup>
PTS OFF TO	16.0	8 <sup>TH</sup>
2ND CHANCE PTS	10.2	7 <sup>TH</sup>
FB PTS	5.6	4 <sup>TH</sup>
PTS IN PAINT	35.2	7 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP 2 <sup>ND</sup> PTS	10.0	5 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP FB	4.0	3 <sup>RD</sup>
OPP PTS IN PAINT	34.8	6 <sup>TH</sup>
OPP PTS OFF TO	17.4	8 <sup>TH</sup>

91.0	2 <sup>ND</sup>
47.5	2 <sup>ND</sup>
34.9	7 <sup>TH</sup>
75.8	9 <sup>TH</sup>
25.3	10 <sup>TH</sup>
74.4	4 <sup>TH</sup>
50.1	6 <sup>TH</sup>
22.0	2 <sup>ND</sup>
14.8	5 <sup>TH</sup>
7.0	10 <sup>TH</sup>
5.0	1 <sup>ST</sup>
88.2	9 <sup>TH</sup>
44.6	6 <sup>TH</sup>
33.3	5 <sup>TH</sup>
88.6	12 <sup>TH</sup>
26.6	7 <sup>TH</sup>
7.0	3 <sup>RD</sup>
33.6	3 <sup>RD</sup>
17.6	6 <sup>TH</sup>
15.8	5 <sup>TH</sup>
7.0	4 <sup>TH</sup>
2.0	2 <sup>ND</sup>
18.2	5 <sup>TH</sup>
8.0	11 <sup>TH</sup>
5.2	7 <sup>TH</sup>
36.8	3 <sup>RD</sup>
9.2	3 <sup>RD</sup>
4.0	3 <sup>RD</sup>
37.2	8 <sup>TH</sup>
19.4	11 <sup>TH</sup>

# CHICAGO VS. PHOENIX



## LAST SEASON

The Sky won all 3 season meetings vs. the Mercury, plus an additional win in the first round of the playoffs.

July 11, 2019	Sky 78 - Mercury 71 @ Chicago
Aug. 25, 2019	Sky 94 - Mercury 86 @ Phoenix
Sept. 1, 2019	Sky 105 - Mercury 78 @ Chicago
Sept. 11, 2019	Sky 105 - Mercury 76 @ Chicago *PLAYOFFS

## HISTORY

- ❖ Chicago has won the last 5 regular-season meetings vs. Phoenix.
  - ❖ Sky is 12-20 all-time against the Mercury.
- ❖ It took Chicago 5 years to get their 1st win against Phoenix.
  - Sky lost their first 9 games vs. Mercury from 2006 to 2010
- ❖ Diana Taurasi has a career 21.3 scoring average against the Sky in 25 games.
  - It is the highest scoring average of any opponent.
  - She has 13 games of 20+ points, including four of 30+ points.

## LEAGUE-LEADERS

**COURTNEY VANDERSLOOT** – 1st in **ASSISTS** (8.6 APG)

**DIANA TAURASI** – 2nd in **ASSISTS** (6.0 APG)

**BRITTNEY GRINER** – 3rd in **BLOCKS** (1.6 BPG)

**SKYLAR DIGGINS-SMITH** – 4th in **3PT FG%** (50%)

## CURRENT STANDINGS

Sky is 4th in **SCORING**: 87.0 PPG  
Sky is 3rd in **REBOUNDS**: 35.8 PPG  
Sky is 1st in **ASSISTS**: 22.4 PPG  
Sky is 1st in **SHOOTING**: 48.6 FG%  
Sky is tied for 1st in **3PT FGM**: 47  
Sky is 1st in **3PT FG%**: 38.8  
Sky is 1st in **+/-**: 14 points

Mercury is 1st in **SCORING**: 91.0 PPG  
Mercury is 2nd in **ASSISTS**: 22.0 APG  
Mercury is 1st in **BLOCKS**: 5.0 BPG  
Mercury is 3rd in **SHOOTING**: 47.5%  
Mercury is 5th in **3PT FGM**: 38

❖ **NOTE: SKY IS THE ONLY TEAM IN WNBA TO RANK IN TOP 5 IN SCORING, REBOUNDS & ASSISTS**

# SKY PLAYER NOTABLES

## **KAHLEAH COPPER**

- ❖ HAS SHOT 50% OR BETTER FROM THE FIELD FOR ALL 5 SKY GAMES THIS SEASON
- ❖ SHOOTING 53.4% FROM THE FIELD IN 2020. HAD A CAREER 41.5% FG% ENTERING THIS SEASON
- ❖ NEEDS 53 MORE POINTS TO REACH 1000 FOR HER CAREER

## **ALLIE QUIGLEY**

- ❖ ONLY SKY PLAYER TO SCORE IN DOUBLE FIGURES IN EACH OF THE SKY GAMES IN 2020
- ❖ STARTED SEASON SHOOTING 39.3% (13-33) FROM THE FIELD AND 23.5% (4-17) FROM 3 IN THE FIRST 3 GAMES
- ❖ OVER THE LAST 2 GAMES HAS AVERAGED 50% (12-24) FROM THE FIELD AND 54.5% (6-11) FROM THREE

## **CHEYENNE PARKER**

- ❖ HAS SCORED IN DOUBLE FIGURES IN LAST 4 GAMES
- ❖ 2ND LONGEST STREAK OF HER CAREER
  - FIRST BEING 5 STRAIGHT GAMES: JUNE 1, 2018 - JUNE 12, 2018
- ❖ CAREER-HIGH 4 STEALS VS. DALLAS ,
  - INCLUDING GAME CLINCHER WITH 4.1 SECONDS REMAINING IN THE GAME AND SKY LEADING BY 2 POINTS
- ❖ NEEDS 40 POINTS TO REACH 1000 CAREER POINTS
- ❖ SKY IS 9-7 IN HER 16 GAMES AS A STARTER IN HER CAREER.
- ❖ FOR HER CAREER AVERAGING 9.5 PPG AS A STARTER AND 6.0 PPG WHEN COMING OFF THE BENCH

## **GABBY WILLIAMS**

- ❖ WILLIAMS' 10 THREE-POINT FGM THIS SEASON ARE ALREADY A CAREER HIGH
  - SHE MADE ONLY 7 EACH OF HER FIRST TWO YEARS IN THE LEAGUE.
- ❖ SHOOTING A CAREER 20.9% FROM 3 ENTERING THE SEASON
- ❖ AFTER 5 GAMES, AVG. 43.5% FROM THREE
- ❖ CAREER 8.3% THREE-POINT SHOOTER IN HER 4 YEARS AT CONNECTICUT (1 FOR 12)
- ❖ NEEDS 14 PTS TO REACH 500 FOR HER CAREER

## **AZURÁ STEVENS**

- ❖ 2ND CAREER DOUBLE DOUBLE VS DALLAS ON TUESDAY AND 2ND IN LAST 3 GAMES
- ❖ NEEDS 14 MIN. OF PLAYING TIME TONIGHT TO REACH 1,000 MINUTES FOR HER CAREER
- ❖ AVERAGING CAREER-HIGHS IN EVERY OFFENSIVE CATEGORY:
  - PPG, FG%, 3FG%, RPG, APG, SPG, BPG

## **COURTNEY VANDERSLOOT**

- ❖ DOUBLE-FIGURES IN ASSISTS VS. DALLAS
  - 48TH TIME IN HER CAREER
- ❖ 2ND DOUBLE-DOUBLE VS. DALLAS
  - 31ST OF HER CAREER
- ❖ SKY IS 4-0 THIS SEASON WHEN SHE HAS 8 OR MORE ASSISTS IN A GAME
  - LAST YEAR THEY WERE 17-8 IN GAMES SHE HAD 8 PLUS ASSISTS

## **DIAMOND DESHIELDS**

- ❖ STRUGGLED FROM THE FIELD VS. DALLAS FINISHING 1 FOR 9
- ❖ LOOKING FOR HER 1ST 3-PT FGM THIS SEASON (CURRENTLY 0-7).
  - WAS SECOND ON THE TEAM IN 3 PT FGM IN 2019
- ❖ STILL LOOKING FOR HER FIRST OFFENSIVE REBOUND OF 2020. LAST YEAR TOTALED 29-5TH BEST ON THE TEAM





# CHICAGO SKY

## 2020 SPOTTERS CHART



**DIAMOND DESHIELDS**

GUARD

**1**



**KAHLEAH COPPER**

GUARD

**2**



**STELLA JOHNSON**

GUARD

**4**



**JANTEL LAVENDER**

FORWARD

**7**



**ALLIE QUIGLEY**

GUARD

**14**



**GABBY WILLIAMS**

FORWARD

**15**



**COURTNEY VANDERSLOOT**

GUARD

**22**



**RUTHY HEBARD**

FORWARD

**24**



**AZURÁ STEVENS**

FORWARD/CENTER

**30**



**STEFANIE DOLSON**

CENTER

**31**



**CHEYENNE PARKER**

FORWARD

**32**



**SYDNEY COLSON**

GUARD

**51**

## PRONUNCIATIONS

- Kahleah (**Kuh-LEE-ah**) Copper (Cop-PURR)
- Ruthy Hebard (**HE-bird**)
- Cheyenne (**SHY-ann**) Parker

- Azurá (**azz-ur-RAY**) Stevens
- Courtney Vandersloot (**VAN-der-SLEWT**)
- Jantel (**JANN-tell**) Lavender

## #51 SYDNEY COLSON GUARD TEXAS A & M



**SYD IS FREE:** Colson played just under five minutes in her season debut against Dallas on Aug. 4.

**INSPIRING CHANGE:** Colson is also a member of the newly-formed WNBA Social Justice Council, where she and other players will help serve as representatives for helping create meaningful conversations about race, LGBTQ support, gun control, voting rights and other relevant social issues in the United States.

### COLSON ON THE SOCIAL JUSTICE COUNCIL

"That fueled me to want to even come into the bubble because I knew that the WNBA, the Players Association, would be giving us an opportunity to make our voices be heard and to let us speak on an issue that affects us, and affect our intersectionality. So, it's been big. I can't wait to actually meet the council and be around the rest of the league. I think that people will enjoy and learn from a lot of the things that we'll present to everyone. It's an awesome opportunity and I hope that people will help us amplify our message and people feel like they are gaining something from it and then that they take action and change things in their lives and in the lives of their family and friends."

	CAREER HIGHS	2019 HIGHS
PTS	17 (WSH 7/13/19)	17 (WSH 7/13/19)
REB	4 (5 TIMES)	3 (2 TIMES)
OREB	2 (2 TIMES)	1 (2 TIMES)
DREB	4 (WSH 6/29/16)	3 (2 TIMES)
AST	8 (PHX 6/30/15)	5 (2 TIMES)
BLK	2 (3 TIMES)	2 (NY 7/7/19)
STL	4 (3 TIMES)	4 (WSH 7/13/19)
FGM	5 (3 TIMES)	4 (2 TIMES)
FGA	11 (CT 7/5/17)	7 (2 TIMES)
3FGM	2 (3 TIMES)	2 (DAL 6/22/19)
3FGA	4 (ATL 9/13/16)	3 (DAL 6/22/19)
MIN	30 (TUL 9/8/15)	22 (WSH 7/13/19)

## #2 KAHLEAH COPPER GUARD RUTGERS



**EXCELLING IN HER ROLE:** Copper has had the best start to a season of her career, posting a double-digit scoring total in four of her first five games. In addition, she has shot north of 50% from the floor in every game this season. Her 14.0 PPG is over seven points higher than her career average throughout her first four seasons in the WNBA (6.7).

### Head Coach and GM James Wade on Copper:

"I'm trying to diversify her game and making her a more complete player, but where we're satisfied with her progress. So we're just going to keep going."

**LEADING AT ALL COSTS:** Despite the COVID-19 Pandemic, Copper is still looking to use her organization 2K Skills and Drills to help provide opportunities for young girls to play basketball in Philadelphia. She has donated \$700 (70 points) to #SkyTakes Action this season through five games.

	CAREER HIGHS	2020 HIGHS
PTS	23 (DAL 7/20/18)	21 (LAS 7/28)
REB	7 (4 TIMES)	9 (LAS 7/28)
OREB	2 (12 TIMES)	2 (LAS 7/28)
DREB	7 (2 TIMES)	7 (LAS 7/28)
AST	4 (2 TIMES)	3 (MIN 7/30)
BLK	2 (MIN 7/10/19)	N/A
STL	2 (5 TIMES)	2 (LAS 7/28)
FGM	10 (MIN 7/10/19)	10 (LAS 7/28)
FGA	16 (LAS 7/26/20)	16 (2 Times)
3FGM	3 (CT 8/12/18)	2 (WSH 8/1)
3FGA	5 (3 TIMES)	5 (7/26 LVA)
MIN	30 (MIN 9/1/17)	31 (WSH 8/1)

## #1 DIAMOND DESHIELDS GUARD TENNESSEE



**GAINING MOMENTUM:** DeShields played her best game of the season against the defending WNBA Champions Washington Mystics, scoring 10 points off the bench while shooting four of six from the floor.

**TAKING ACTION:** DeShields joins teammate Gabby Williams as serving as the face and leader of the Sky's #SkyTakesAction campaign for this season. She and Williams worked alongside former Chicago Bears linebacker Sam Acho to develop the campaign in partnership with Athletes for Justice. Through her scoring so far, DeShields has contributed \$340 (34 points).

**DeShields on how #SkyTakesAction has motivated her:** "It's everything. It's literally the reason why I put my jersey, it's the reason why I came out here. There was no way I was going to come out here and just dismiss myself from what's going on in the world right now. So, to have partnered up with Athletes For Justice and my teammates and everybody else, our sponsors to be on board with this, it's all the motivation that any of us needs on game days."

	CAREER HIGHS	2020 HIGHS
PTS	30 (CT 9/6/19)	10 (WSH 8/1)
REB	12 (ATL 8/3/19)	3 (LAS 7/28)
OREB	4 (WSH 6/5/19)	N/A
DREB	12 (ATL 8/3/19)	3 (LAS 7/28)
AST	8 (DAL 7/20/18)	5 (2 Times)
BLK	2 (3 times)	1 (LVA 7/26)
STL	5 (MIN 8/7/18)	4 (WSH 8/1)
FGM	11 (4 times)	3 (2 Times)
FGA	24 (ATL 6/27/18)	9 (2 Times)
3FGM	5 (4 times)	N/A
3FGA	10 (LAS 8/18/19)	4 (LAS 7/28)
MIN	38 (WSH 7/13/18)	25 (LAS 7/28)



## #31 STEFANIE DOLSON CENTER CONNECTICUT



**A RETURN TO NORMALCY:** After failing to play in at least 33 games for the first time in her career in 2018, Dolson responded in 2019 by starting and appearing in all 34 games. She continued to be one of the most efficient options on the floor for the Sky, as she finished fourth in the league in field goal percentage (51.9%). Dolson also made at least 30 three-point field goals for the second time in three years, shooting 36.1% from distance.

**AN ACTIVE LEADER:** Dolson will be working with the Brave Space Alliance, which is a black and trans-led organization that supports and educates the LGBTQ community, as part of her work toward social justice this season. She has contributed \$80 (8 points) toward the #SkyTakesAction campaign thus far.

	CAREER HIGHS	2019 HIGHS
PTS	29 (PHX 7/28/17)	19 (IND 7/21/)
REB	13 (NY 7/9/15)	11 (DAL 8/29)
OREB	7 (WSH 5/24/17)	4 (3 TIMES)
DREB	12 (NY 7/9/15)	9 (2 TIMES)
AST	9 (DAL 8/30/17)	6 (2 TIMES)
BLK	5 (2 TIMES)	5 (ATL 7/17)
STL	3 (2 TIMES)	3 (2 times)
FGM	13 (PHX 7/28/17)	7 (SEA 6/9)
FGA	21 (PHX 7/28/17)	12 (DAL 8/29)
3FGM	6 (PHX 6/1/17)	4 (ATL 8/3)
3FGA	7 (PHX 6/1/17)	6 (LA 8/16)
MIN	44 (2 times)	37 (ct 9/6/19)

## #24 RUTHY HEBARD FORWARD OREGON



**PLAYING WITH FIRE:** Hebard continues to be productive when on the floor, serving as a key rebounder for the Sky. She grabbed two offensive boards in Tuesday's win against Dallas, providing an extra spark for the Sky in what turned out to be a very close game.

**Head Coach & GM James Wade on Hebard's rebounds:**

"That was a big moment for us because it gave the team energy. I think it was a turning moment for us as a group and you never would have thought that the rookie would have been responsible for it. But the way that she did stay down on those rebounds, that was something. We want her to keep playing to that. She's growing and we're just happy to have her."

	CAREER HIGHS	
PTS	4 (2 Times)	
REB	6 (WSH 8/1)	
OREB	2 (WSH 8/1)	
DREB	6 (WSH 8/1)	
AST	1 (WSH 8/1)	
BLK	N/A	
STL	N/A	
FGM	2 (2 Times)	
FGA	5 (LAS 7/26/20)	
3FGM	N/A	
3FGA	N/A	
MIN	12 (MIN 7/30/20)	

## #4 STELLA JOHNSON GUARD RIDER



### 'RIDING' IN WITH PLENTY OF

**MOMENTUM:** Initially drafted by the Phoenix Mercury, Johnson signed as a rookie free agent with the Sky in June. She joins Chicago after posting one of the most decorated careers in Rider University history. The Denville, New Jersey native earned MAAC Player of the Year honors twice and became the first Bronc ever to be named an All-American. She also led the NCAA's Division-I in points per game as a senior (24.8). In addition to her offensive skillset, Johnson has regularly been praised for her defensive prowess and compared to the likes of former Sky player Jia Perkins.

	CAREER HIGHS	
PTS	N/A	
REB	1 (LAS 7/28)	
OREB	N/A	
DREB	1 (LAS 7/28)	
AST	N/A	
BLK	N/A	
STL	N/A	
FGM	N/A	
FGA	N/A	
3FGM	N/A	
3FGA	N/A	
MIN	1 (LAS 7/28)	

## #7 JANTEL LAVENDER FORWARD OHIO STATE



### QUICK FACTS

Unfortunately, Lavender will miss the 2020 season due to the need for her to rehab from surgery which addressed a fifth metatarsal fracture in her left foot. She will serve as the team's official color commenter on WCIU throughout the course of this season alongside veteran play-by-play broadcaster Lisa Byington.

"To say I'm thrilled would be a lie- I'd rather be playing, but I am blessed and extremely grateful for the opportunity," Lavender said. "I wouldn't want to cover any other team but the Sky. For that I am thrilled! Sky is the limit."

	CAREER HIGHS	2020 HIGHS
PTS	25 (2 times)	-
REB	13 (5 times)	-
OREB	7 (PHX 8/12/11)	-
DREB	11 (3 times)	-
AST	5 (CHI 6/6/14)	-
BLK	5 (SAN 8/23/15)	-
STL	3 (CHI 6/6/14)	-
FGM	11 (2 times)	-
FGA	22 (CT 6/21/15)	-
3FGM	2 (3 times)	-
3FGA	5 (CT 6/26/15)	-
MIN	43 (CT 6/26/15)	-

## #32 CHEYENNE PARKER FORWARD MIDDLE TENNESSEE



**AN EMERGING STAR:** Parker has contributed \$680 (68 points) to the #SkyTakesAction campaign this season. She has led or tied the Sky in scoring in three consecutive outings, scoring 16 points twice and 15 once. Parker is tied with Azurá Stevens for the team lead in rebounds (33), and her 12 offensive boards is the most on the Sky through five games.

**Parker on the #SkyTakesAction campaign:** "The fact that we are doing something, and we're taking action as a team, as a program, representing the Chicago Sky I think it's really dope that we are taking initiative and trying to just raise awareness and get other people to take action. The whole point of us doing this was trying to get our fans active and get them involved. So, I'm really excited and I can't wait to see like how it goes, how much money we can raise."

	CAREER HIGHS	2020 HIGHS
PTS	22 (2 TIMES)	16 (2 Times)
REB	13 (LAS 6/3/18)	10(MIN7/30)
OREB	6 (SEA 6/9/19)	5 (DAL 8/4)
DREB	10 (PHX 8/25/19)	7(MIN7/30)
AST	3 (5 TIMES)	3 (2 TIMES)
BLK	6 (MIN 8/27/19)	1 (MIN7/30))
STL	3 (3 TIMES)	4 (DAL 8/4)
FGM	9 (3 TIMES)	7(WSH 8/1)
FGA	16 (SEA 6/9/19)	13(WSH 8/1)
3FGM	2 (2 TIMES)	2 (MIN 7/30)
3FGA	3 (LA 7/22/18)	2 (2 TIMES)
MIN	31 (SEA 7/17/16)	31(MIN7/30)

## #14 ALLIE QUIGLEY GUARD DEPAUL



**BUSINESS AS USUAL:** Quigley drilled the eventual game-winning 3-point field goal over the Las Vegas Aces in the opener with just over 14 seconds to play in regulation. She has recorded at least 10 points in all five games this season, where her totals have produced \$620 (62 points) to the #SkyTakesAction campaign.

Quigley has had her best stretch of the season thus far in the last two games. Against Washington, she scored 15 points and shot just under 50% from the floor while going three for six from distance. She followed up that strong performance by again scoring 15 points while shooting 54.5% (6-11) from the floor against Dallas.

	CAREER HIGHS	2020 HIGHS
PTS	29 (NY 7/8/16)	15 (2 Times)
REB	7 (4 times)	4 (3 Times)
OREB	2 (13 times)	N/A
DREB	7 (NY 7/30/17)	4 (3 Times)
AST	9 (SAN 8/10/17)	4 (2 Times)
BLK	3 (3 times)	1 (WSH 8/1)
STL	4 (2 times)	1 (3 Times)
FGM	12 (ATL 7/13/14)	6 (2 Times)
FGA	22 (ATL 7/13/14)	13 (WSH 8/1)
3FGM	7 (3 times)	3(2 Times)
3FGA	13 (MIN 7/10/19)	8(MIN7/30)
MIN	46 (DAL 7/16/17)	30(WSH 8/1)



## #30 AZURÁ STEVENS FORWARD-CENTER CONNECTICUT



On #SkyTakesAction-Stevens has donated \$710 (71 points) this season.

"When they did the 26 seconds for Breonna Taylor before the game I took a minute just to talk to myself like, 'I'm going to go out here and just play as hard as I can for that.' It's just crazy still that honestly like that happened and these cops haven't been arrested and people are just walking around like that's OK. And so I'm praying and hoping that they finally get the justice that they deserve. But yeah, I mean I think it motivates especially our team a little bit more because we're dedicating a season just to raise awareness and to make actual change. I don't know, like we've been talking about this for a long time before we even came here. Personal experiences we've all had just with racism and social injustice. And so, I mean it motivates me definitely a little bit extra because like that could have been my dad. George Floyd could've been my dad. Breonna Taylor could have been my sister. It could have been me. It could have been some of my teammates, like it's just this is real life right now, and it's a lot to take in but I mean I'm proud of our team for the awareness that we're raising and the stuff that we're doing."

	CAREER HIGHS	2020 HIGHS
PTS	26 (IND 7/5/18)	21 (LAS 7/28)
REB	11 (MIN 7/30/20)	11 (MIN 7/30)
OREB	6 (2 times)	3 (DAL 8/4)
DREB	9 (MIN 7/30)	9 (MIN 7/30)
AST	4 (2 TIMES)	4 (LAS 7/28)
BLK	5 (IND 8/2/18)	3 (WSH 8/1)
STL	3 (2 times)	2 (MIN 7/30)
FGM	8 (2 Times)	8 (LAS 7/28)
FGA	16 (IND 7/5/18)	14 (LAS 7/28)
3FGM	4 (LAS 7/28/20)	4 (LAS 7/28)
3FGA	7 (LAS 7/28/20)	7 (LAS 7/28)
MIN	35 (MIN 7/30/20)	35 (MIN 7/30)

## #22 COURTNEY VANDERSLOOT GUARD GONZAGA



**RECORDS SET, AGAIN:** On July 30 against Minnesota, Vandersloot passed Becky Hammon for fifth all-time on the WNBA's assist list. The veteran guard continues to play heavy minutes despite being in her 10th season. Vandersloot leads the team in minutes played (31.4), nearly three more minutes than Cheyenne Parker who ranks second (28.8). She has contributed \$570 (57 points) to the #SkyTakesAction campaign throughout the course of the first five games this season.

Vandersloot recorded her 31st double-double with assists during Tuesday's game against Dallas. It was the 48th game where she posted a double-digit assist total, leading the team with 10 helpers.

	CAREER HIGHS	2020 HIGHS
PTS	26 (2 TIMES)	16 (MIN 7/30)
REB	10 (DAL 7/20/18)	5 (2 Times)
OREB	4 (2 times)	5 (DAL 8/4)
DREB	8 (3 times)	4 (LVA 7/26)
AST	15 (2 TIMES)	11 (LVA 7/26)
BLK	3 (4 times)	1 (WSH 8/1)
STL	5 (2 TIMES)	2 (WSH 8/1)
FGM	11 (MIN 7/8/17)	7 (MIN 7/30)
FGA	18 (2 times)	14 (MIN 7/30)
3FGM	5 (2 TIMES)	2 (3 Times)
3FGA	7 (5 times)	5 (LVA 7/26)
MIN	44 (2 times)	34 (MIN 7/30)

## #15 GABBY WILLIAMS GUARD CONNECTICUT



**SOCIAL JUSTICE LEADER:** Williams has contributed \$530 (53 points) this season to the #SkyTakesAction campaign. She and guard Diamond DeShields were at the forefront of creating the program. Williams had her best game of the season against Washington on August 1, tying for the team-high in points (16) while shooting 80% from the three-point line.

"It's traumatizing. It's exhausting. To see people who look like you, people who do the same things as you, be murdered in cold blood, and then people turn back and tell you that your life just doesn't matter. Or they try to distract you and say, 'all lives matter,' or whatever it is ... The fact that we have to fight to exist is exhausting And we're just exhausted. And we're sick and tired of it. We're tired of seeing images of people who look like us, who look like our brothers – who look like my little brother! I worry about everything that he does! So it's not hard for it to not distract me from basketball, because I'm a person before I'm a basketball player. And that's how we all feel."

	CAREER HIGHS	2020 HIGHS
PTS	26 (PHX 6/8/18)	16 (WSH 8/1)
REB	10 (2 times)	9 (WSH 8/1)
OREB	5 (LAS 6/10/18)	3 (LVA 7/26)
DREB	9 (LAS 6/3/18)	8 (WSH 8/1)
AST	6 (LAS 8/11/19)	5 (LAS 7/28)
BLK	2 (2 times)	1 (MIN 7/30)
STL	4 (2 times)	4 (LAS 7/28)
FGM	10 (PHX 6/8/18)	6 (2 Times)
FGA	13 (PHX 6/8/18)	10 (2 Times)
3FGM	4 (WSH 8/1/20)	4 (WSH 8/1)
3FGA	6 (MIN 7/30)	6 (MIN 7/30)
MIN	36 (LAS 8/11/19)	25 (3 Times)