



# Opponent Postgame Quotes

## Duke vs. NC State



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### NC State head coach Wes Moore

#### ***Opening Statement:***

“Well, again. We dug a hole early, and obviously Duke’s too good of a team to dig that big of a hole with. I thought we fought gallantly back to maybe four points, but you use so much energy trying to get back in it that at some point it catches back up with you. Not sure what’s going on and why we’re coming out slow and not ready to play, but we’ll figure it out and try to fix it. This league is very unforgiving so we have to figure it out in a hurry for sure.”

#### ***On driving down the lane and getting points inside:***

“Yeah, I think we came out more aggressive to the rim maybe, but during the Virginia game we came out flatfooted, and during the first few minutes of this game we did the same thing. I don’t know that our defensive effort was quite where it needed to be. Of course, Lexie Brown was phenomenal, and maybe we, as a coaching staff, should have figured out something else to slow her down. I want to give her credit too, because she did a great job. We maybe could’ve jumped up a little bit, moved people around to match up a bit differently, but you have to try something. We never slowed her down, so I want to give her some credit. She’s a great player. I mean, she had 34 points and the next highest was 13, so you have to make someone else score.”

#### ***On Chelsea and Akela Maize’s leadership:***

“Both of these young ladies play extremely hard and have done a lot for us this year. That’s the biggest thing—her [Chelsea’s] motor runs really hard. When you go get 15 rebounds, that’s pretty impressive. I’ve said this before, maybe Chelsea’s motor runs a little too fast sometimes, maybe a bit out of control, but if everyone played as hard as she does we would probably lose fewer games for sure.”

#### ***On improving subsequent scoring off rebounds:***

“The only thing I know to do is to get in there and keep working. We’ve been getting better at free throws, but today we kind of lapsed in that. You’re right, we need to get better at making some open shots. Most of that comes with getting in the gym and putting some time in, and gaining that confidence. The harder I work, the luckier I get.”

### Senior Chelsea Nelson

#### ***On her interpretation of the lack of FG:***

“I guess we were going a little bit out of control and were expecting the foul when we were driving. Around the second half we started going to the hole strong. Once we stopped worrying about the fouls, we started getting the calls. We were just playing hard.”

#### ***On her personal resilience as a short forward:***

“I know I’m undersized, but it’s easier for me to move around post players because they’re slower. I try to shoot the gaps, get the rebounds, kick out, and go back up.”