

## **West Virginia vs. USC Upstate Women's Basketball Quotes**

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#### ***West Virginia University Head Coach Mike Carey***

##### **Opening statement**

I thought we moved really well against their zone and then when they went man, we started going one-on-one and not moving the ball. Overall, it was good to get everyone in the game.

##### **On offense and defense performance**

Honestly, I thought they had a lot of good openings, a lot of good shots they just couldn't hit them. If you're asking me if I'm happy with our defense? No, I'm not. A lot of you are looking at me like I'm crazy because they shoot twenty something percent and scored 33 points, but they had a lot of good looks. We weren't jumping to the ball, their little point guard drove us all night. We know what's coming up in the Big 12, point guard All-Americans, are going to drive us from the point, so we didn't do a good job against that. We got a lot of things to work on and that's good. This time of the year with exams and everything it's kind of tough. I gave them a couple of days off and then we are getting them off tomorrow. We will practice Monday and then we have them off again Tuesday then will come back and get ready to go to Charleston on Friday and play Saturday. We have a lot to work on, I thought Kristina King came in and did some good things offensively, got to learn how to play on both sides though. Lanay (Montgomery), I thought she did a good job keeping the ball, double-double. I thought she did a good job too. We got to continue to get better.

##### **On if the defense relied on being more athletic than their opponent**

That's what frustrating to me, we just have better players. It is what it is. We just have better players and when you get into the Big 12 sometimes it's even, or they have better players. You have to out hustle them or you have to be in position. You have to jump to the ball and you have to quit letting them drive. That's what a lot of people don't understand and that's what I see. I'm not worried about this game. I'm worried down the road. I need to be focused on what's down the road. Not right now with these types of teams. When you hear me frustrated, it's not because we won because it's good to win. We have a lot to do before we get in Big 12 play and that's where my frustration comes because if we let a point guard in the Big 12 drive like this girl, we let them have wide open shots, like we let this team have, then we're going to be in trouble. When they have the athletes we have and the players we have.