



#3 Torrey Pines Falcons (21-4)
vs. #4 Foothills Christian Knights (18-7)
Mission Bay High School - February 8th, 2020 - 8:00 pm



9 Facts to Know:

1. Torrey Pines is now riding a 10 game win streak after last night's 49-34 victory over Canyon Crest. Foothills Christian has won four straight including last night's 56-37 win at Orange Glen. Both teams have win percentages over 70: Torrey Pines at 84% and Foothills Christian at 72%.
2. This is the first rematch between the two teams since the CIF Open Division Championship thriller on February 19th, 2019. The Falcons beat the Knights 51-47 at UCSD's RIMAC Arena. Noah Viera led the Falcons with 15 points, including two three-pointers late in the fourth that will go down as two of the biggest shots in Torrey Pines history. Derrick Carter-Hollinger led the Knights with 19 points.
3. Last season's CIF Open Division win was the first time in school history the Falcons beat the Knights. Torrey Pines now stands at 1-4 all-time against Foothills Christian.
4. Last night, senior Brandon Angel (#21) surpassed the 1,000 point hurdle in career points. Angel is only the eighth Falcon since 2004 to reach this mark.
5. The Falcons are only 2-1 in neutral site games this season while Foothills Christian has played in a plethora of neutral locations and are 7-6.. The Knights have played in the BattleZone @ Centennial, the Grossmont Tournament, and the Holiday Classic which are all neutral site events.
6. Brandon Angel (#21) leads the Falcons in scoring at 20.1 points per game. Yassine Gharram is leading the Knights in scoring at 18.8 points per game. Angel also adds 9.7 rebounds per game while Gharram adds 5.9 assists per game.
7. The entirety of the Knights starting five averages double digit points while the Falcons only have two plays in double figure averages. For the Knights: Gharram 18.8, Nico Meza 14.6, Jalai O'Keith 13.9, Jaden LaBel 10.8 and Derrien Carter-Hollinger 10.2. For the Falcons: Angel 20.1 and Nick Herrmann 10.0.
8. The Falcons are 3-3 against the current *San Diego Union-Tribune* media poll top ten teams with wins over Poway and Carlsbad (twice). The Knights are 2-2 against the current top ten teams with wins over Christian and Cathedral Catholic.
9. Tonight's contest is crucial for the Open Division playoff seeding. Foothills Christian (#4) would host Torrey Pines (#5) if the season ended today. However, if the Falcons win tonight, they could be in position for a first-round home game.