# **Michael Epps**

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#### **BROADCAST**

#### Weekend Sports Anchor/Reporter, WDKY-TV (Lexington, KY): October 2021-Present

#### **EXPERIENCE**

- >> Produce and anchor weekend sportscasts with unique writing and delivery.
- >> Anchor, produce and edit new Sunday sports show: "The OT on FOX 56 Sports"
- >> Grow storytelling skills in weekly feature franchise: "Student-Athlete of the Week"
- » Host sponsored specials (Kentucky Derby, Breeders' Cup, etc.) both live and pre-taped.
- » Enhance social media presence tailored to the market on Twitter, TikTok, etc.

### Sports Reporter/Anchor, WJHL-TV (Johnson City, TN): September 2019-September 2021

- >> Seek creative storylines in local sports community and produce compelling stories.
- » Shoot, write, edit content on the road at games and other sporting events.
- » Produce and anchor sportscasts on fill-in basis.
- » Create weekly franchise featuring local athletes: "High School Standouts."

#### Sports Video Freelancer, WLNS-TV (Lansing, MI): September 2017-August 2019

- >> Cover high school sports every Friday night: shooting, editing highlights, writing scripts.
- » Post all extended highlights to the station website.
- >> Shoot MSU sports, including football and men's basketball, on a freelance basis.

#### Sports Reporter, Focal Point Newscast Team: September 2015-May 2019

- >> Cover games from multiple MSU sports, including football and men's basketball.
- $\gg$  Create postgame stories from those games, and tell other sports stories outside of MSU.
- >> Produce the sports segment of the newscast, including writing scripts and editing videos.

## Executive Producer, Spartan Sports Report: September 2017-May 2019

- » Produce the rundown for pre-taped show, Spartan Sports Report, covering all MSU teams.
- >> Edit footage myself or others shoot on site, producing highlights and soundbites.
- >> Delegate members to cover games and run communication for granting media access.
- >> Show airs on various BTN Student U broadcasts during their previously-empty intermission.

#### **EDUCATION**

## Michigan State University: May 2019, Bachelor of Arts, Journalism

**AWARDS** 

Winner, SPJ Broadcast Sports Videography category, Region 4, There's a height difference

Award of Excellence, BEA TV Sports Story/Feature category, There's a height difference

Recipient of Albert Applegate Journalism Scholarship, April 2018

Recipient of Ed Bradley Gifted Broadcaster Scholarship, April 2017

**SKILLS** 

Extensive experience editing with Avid Media Composer, Adobe Premiere Pro, and Edius. Operating Sony NX5 cameras, and similar models. Producing in ENPS, Inception, and iNews.