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Green, team starting from scratch

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The Oregon men's basketball team is, for all intent, starting from scratch for the upcoming season. Newcomers outnumber returnees seven to six, of which there are no seniors and only three returning starters.

But coach Jerry Green, who is only in his second year, is not daunted by this apparent fragile beginning of a new team.

"Of 300 Division I schools across the country. (our) recruiting class is ranked 60th or so. And I think we're even better than that." Green said. After a frustrating 10-20 record with some roster upheavals during the past season. Green seems to looking forward to this new group of players, although he said the new combination of talent will take a little getting used to.

"It's going to be a big smorgasbord this year." Green said. "Cal-Berkeley has four starters back and UCLA is also going to be good. They lost a kid, but recruited one of the top five players."

Green said Washington State could be another surprise, but after that "it's going to be a toss-up."



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