



ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY  
**REDBIRD**  
 2001-02 BASKETBALL GAME NOTES

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**2001-02 SCHEDULE**

Date	Opponent (TV)	Time/Result
11/1	ST. XAVIER (EX.)	W, 93-69
11/11	EA SPORTS (EX.)	W, 98-64
11/16	WEBER STATE	W, 74-70
11/23	vs. UC-Irvine#	W, 58-52
11/24	vs. Pittsburgh#	L, 46-65
11/25	vs. Hofstra#	L, 80-82 (ot)
11/29	@ Georgia Southern	L, 76-87
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12/1	@ UT-San Antonio	L, 82-88
12/8	SAMFORD (WMBD)	W, 65-54
12/9	CENTRAL MICHIGAN	W, 72-63
12/15	@ Chattanooga	L, 59-70
12/18	@ #7 Illinois (ESPN+)	L, 73-87
12/22	KENT STATE	L, 48-61
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1/2	CREIGHTON*	L, 62-76
1/5	@ Southern Illinois* (Valley-TV)	L, 58-79
1/7	WICHITA STATE*	W, 81-71
1/10	@ Drake*	L, 73-83
1/12	INDIANA STATE (ESPN2)*	4:05
1/16	@ Creighton*	7:05
1/19	SW MISSOURI STATE*	7:05
1/23	@ Bradley* (WEEK)	7:35
1/26	DRAKE*	7:05
1/30	NORTHERN IOWA*	7:05
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2/2	@ SW Missouri State* (Valley-TV)	3:05
2/5	BRADLEY* (WMBD)	7:35
2/9	@ Indiana State* (WMBD)	3:05
2/13	@ Evansville*	7:05
2/16	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS* (WMBD)	2:05
2/20	@ Wichita State*	7:05
2/23	@ Northern Iowa* (WMBD)	7:05
2/25	EVANSVILLE* (Valley-TV)	6:05
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3/1	@ MVC Tournament (St. Louis, Mo.)	

All times listed are CT  
 Home games in CAPS  
 \* = Missouri Valley Conference game  
 # = University Hoops Classic (Moon Township, Pa.)

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**Interview Procedures:** On non-game days, Illinois State players are available for interviews after practice. Note that no Illinois State student-athlete will miss a class, practice, conditioning session or team meeting to participate in an interview. Coach Tom Richardson and the team are not available to the media on game-days until the post-game interview session. Illinois State's locker room is always closed. At home games, interviews will be conducted in the Redbird Arena press room. Requests should be directed to Director of Media Relations **Todd Kober**. Coach Richardson and requested players will answer questions from the media after a brief cooling off period.

**ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS (5-10, 1-3) vs. Indiana State Sycamores (3-10, 1-3)**

**The Game:** Jan. 12, 2002 • 4:05 p.m. (CST) • Redbird Arena (10,200) • Normal, Ill.

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**About The Game:** Initially this game was the preseason conference favorite against the back-to-back NCAA berths. Although injuries to Tarise Bryson and Kelyn Block have tainted the participants records, the significance is just as important. Illinois State needs to re-establish its dominance in Redbird Arena, while Indiana State has to prove it can win on the road.

**The Probable Starters:**

**ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS (5-10, 1-3)**

						ppg	rpg	apg
F 2	Gregg Alexander	6-4	190	Fr.-HS	Lincoln, Ill.	10.2	3.3	2.4
F 33	Shedrick Ford	6-5	220	Sr.-1L	Macon, Ga.	10.7	4.0	1.5
C 23	Baboucarr Bojang	6-9	205	Jr.-TR	Greenville, S.C.	14.4	7.5	0.7
G 15	Randy Rice	6-0	175	Sr.-1L	Springfield, Ill.	4.1	2.1	2.9
G 21	Shawn Jeppson	6-2	175	Sr.-3L	Spring Valley, Ill.	10.9	1.7	1.7

**Indiana State Sycamores (3-10, 1-3)**

F 34	Jake Sams	6-8	205	Fr.-HS	Mount Zion, Ill.	3.1	1.2	0.2*
C 3	Djibril Kante	6-8	245	Sr.-3L	Bloomington, Ind.	9.0	6.2	1.3*
C 1	Marcus Howard	6-3	185	So.-1L	Elgin, Ill.	8.2	2.0	2.8
G 10	Lamar Grimes	6-0	175	Fr.-HS	Chicago, Ill.	5.7	1.9	2.3
G 40	Matt Broermann	6-5	200	Jr.-2L	Hamilton, Ohio	3.8	2.2	1.5

NOTE - (\*) indicates blocks per game.

**The Coaches:** Tom Richardson is 36-39 in his third season at Illinois State. He is assisted by Chad Altadonna, Anthony Beane and Doug Novsek. Indiana State is coached by Royce Waltman, who owns a 78-55 record in his fifth season with the Sycamores. He is assisted by Dick Bender, Rick Ray and Kareem Richardson.

**Ticket Information:** Tickets for Illinois State home games can be purchased from the ticket office at Redbird Arena (309/438-8000).

**Redbird Radio Network:** Mark Johnson, play-by-play; Mike Matthews, color; Bruce Evans, sideline (home only) and Tim Fisher, studio host. Affiliates: WJBC (AM 1230/ Bloomington), flagship; WINU (AM 880/Highland); WZOE (AM 1490/Princeton); WFMB (AM 1450/Springfield). All Redbird broadcasts can be heard on the Internet at either [sports.yahoo.com](http://sports.yahoo.com) or [wjbc.com](http://wjbc.com). The latter also carries Tom Richardson's weekly call-in show, which alternates depending on the schedule, but generally airs each Thursday from 6:07-7 pm.

**Web Birds:** The Illinois State athletics web page, at [www.redbirds.org](http://www.redbirds.org), includes a direct links to [yahoo.broadcast.com](http://yahoo.broadcast.com) and [www.wjbc.com](http://www.wjbc.com) to access the WJBC/Redbird Radio Network broadcasts. In addition, for home games, live stats are available.

**Television:** ESPN2 will air the contest. Mark Jones, play-by-play, and Tim McCormick, color, are the talent for the broadcast. Satellite coordinates are SBS 7, Transponder 6.

## TALE OF THE TAPE

	ISU	INSU
W-L Record	5-10	3-10
ESPN/USA Today	UR	UR
AP Poll	UR	UR
Saragin Ranking	163	229
RPI	141	201
Points Scored	67.1	57.4
Points Allowed	72.5	65.8
Scoring Margin	-5.4	-8.4
FG Percentage	42.8	39.3
Def. FG Percentage	49.5	42.2
3-pt. Percentage	32.8	31.6
Def. 3-pt. Percentage	34.9	34.3
FT Percentage	75.6	62.8
Offensive Rebounds	10.7	10.9
Total Rebounds	30.8	34.7
Rebounding Margin	-3.0	+1.9
Assists	14.2	11.8
Turnover Average	15.7	15.1
Turnover Margin	+1.3	-2.6
Steal Average	6.7	4.9
Block Average	1.4	3.7
Fouls	18.6	15.8

## WEEKLY MEDIA CONFERENCE

*All start at 3 p.m., in arena media room*

- Monday, January 14
- Tuesday, January 22
- Tuesday, January 29
- Monday, February 4
- Tuesday, February 12
- Tuesday, February 19
- Wednesday, February 27

## WHAT'S BACK

Here's a look at what Illinois State returned heading into the 2001-02 season by percentage in key statistical categories ...

<b>Scoring</b> .....	75%
<b>Three-Point FG</b> .....	88%
<b>Rebounding</b> .....	68%
<b>Assists</b> .....	77%
<b>Steals</b> .....	74%
<b>Blocks</b> .....	52%
<b>Minutes</b> .....	78%

Now here's what Illinois State returns without Tarise Bryson in the line-up ...

<b>Scoring</b> .....	44%
<b>Three-Point FG</b> .....	48%
<b>Rebounding</b> .....	47%
<b>Assists</b> .....	59%
<b>Steals</b> .....	51%
<b>Blocks</b> .....	37%
<b>Minutes</b> .....	55%

## About Indiana State

- Indiana State is located in Terre Haute, Ind., and enrolls 11,484 students. The Sycamores are members of the Missouri Valley Conference.
- Head coach Royce Waltman is in his fifth season at Indiana State. He owns a 78-54 record with the Sycamores after serving as the head coach at Indianapolis for five seasons and DePauw for five. Prior to coaching at DePauw, Waltman worked as an assistant at Indiana.
- Indiana State is 0-6 away from Terre Haute this season .
- Senior Kelyn Block, the team's scoring leader at 11.8 points per game, underwent surgery on his right knee on January 4, and is expected to miss three weeks of action.
- Indiana State is 1-1 with Block out of the lineup.
- Terence Avery is the only other Sycamore averaging double-figures. Avery, a senior center, is posting 10.5 points per game, while grabbing a team-high 6.5 boards per game. Avery could cause some problems for the Redbirds, as nearly half of his rebounds (84) have come off of the offensive glass (41).
- Senior Djibril Kante ranks second on the team in rebounding with 6.2 boards. He also averages 9.0 points and is the only Sycamore to start all 13 games. Kante has also done some damage on the offensive boards with 39 of his 106 coming on that side of the floor. Kante has struggled from the free throw line, shooting 48.6 percent on 34-for-70 shooting.
- As a team, Indiana State has shot 39.3 percent from the floor and averages 52 attempts per game. From 3-point land, the Sycamores are shooting 31.6 percent and average five makes per contest.
- Matt Berry, Matt Broerman and Jake Sams are the team's primary 3-point threats with at least half of their shots coming from behind the arc. For Broerman all but three attempts have been treys.

## The Series

Today's game is the 84th meeting between the two schools, which is the longest rivalry for Illinois State with a program outside of the state of Illinois. The Redbirds lead the series 45-38, but Indiana State has won the last six meetings that ended 13 straight wins by Illinois State. In Normal, Illinois State leads the series 27-11 and the Redbirds own a 28-12 edge over the Sycamores in Valley regular season games.

## Welcome Back, ESPN

It's been a couple of years since ESPN has broadcasted a game from Redbird Arena on either ESPN or the deuce. The last time was on February 14, 1999, against Creighton. The Redbirds won that game 79-77 and the game aired on ESPN.

## Sending Out an S.O.S.

After being picked to win the conference and sitting with a 5-10 overall record, the Redbirds might be feeling like they're stranded on a deserted island. However, for these cast aways the cause, rather than a solution, could be found in an S.O.S. – Strength of Schedule. Illinois State's schedule ranks as the No. 20 toughest slate in the nation by Saragin Rankings and No. 34 by College RPI.

## Comeback, Comeback Wins

Last season, Illinois State won seven games after trailing at halftime. This season the Redbirds are 1-10 in games in which they trail at the break. Illinois State was behind Samford 27-23 at halftime, before posting a 65-54 victory in its only come-from-behind win to date this season.

## Although the Weather Outside is Frightful, the Bus Shuttle is so Delightful

The Illinois State athletics department has implemented a bus shuttle service this season for all Redbird home games that will shuttle fans between the Motorcycle Instruction Range located on Gregory Street, west of the Illinois State Golf Course, and the South entrance of Redbird Arena. At the completion of the game, the shuttle bus will pick up fans at the South entrance on College Avenue. In addition to the free shuttle service, there are also \$3 parking lots located at the soccer and baseball complex on Adelaide Street and by University High School.

## Lincoln Day and Take A Kid to a Game Highlight Game Promotions

Today's game has been tabbed as Lincoln Day and Take a Kid to the Game. Residents of Lincoln, Ill., have been able to purchase tickets at half-price to travel to Normal, Ill., to support the Redbirds and hometown hero, **Gregg Alexander**. In addition, as part of the NCAA national promotion, kids will get in free today with a purchase of one adult ticket.

## Non-Conference Slate as Tough as Advertised

Heading into the season head coach **Tom Richardson** knew that Illinois State's 11-game non-conference schedule was going to be challenging. As if the Redbirds 4-7 record wasn't enough proof, Illinois State's non-conference opponents have posted a 102-58 (.638) mark this season (as of 1/8). In addition to the overall winning percentage, Redbird non-conference foes have posted wins over Arkansas, Ball St., Boston College, Gonzaga, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio St., Pepperdine, St. Bonaventure, St. John's and Utah St. (twice), which College RPI all rank in its top 50.

## League Games From Here on Out

Midwest winters in the months of January and February have been causes for bouts of depression, but this year during the first two months of 2002 Illinois State will be battling compression – of its Missouri Valley Conference schedule. The 'Birds will play their entire 18-game conference slate in 55 days from January 2 to February 25.

## Streaking at the Charity Stripe

Illinois State's **Vince Greene** and **Dirk Williams** are riding of a couple of notable streaks at the free throw line. Williams has made all 22 tries this season, while Greene has sank his last 18 attempts. Gene Jontry holds the Redbird record for 35 made free throws in succession which was set in 1956-57.

## The Redbird Rollercoaster

Head coach **Tom Richardson** has said that the only consistency his Illinois State team has had this season has been its inconsistency. That erratic trend by the Redbirds is really evident in their winning and losing streaks this season. The ride has been a wild one, so please remain seated until it comes to a complete stop. Illinois State started the season by climbing the first hill to two straight wins, plunged through four straight losses, scaled for two more wins, corkscrewed on a five-game losing streak and is currently riding some bumps with a win over Wichita State and a loss at Drake.

## Breaking In Boo

Illinois State's **Baboucarr Bojang** is in his sixth year of organized basketball and is still developing as a player. That's bad news for Redbird opponents considering Bojang has already posted four double-doubles this season and three 20-point efforts. At Chattanooga, Bojang posted a career-high 26 points and grabbed eight boards with seven of them coming off the offensive glass. He has scored double-digits in 12 straight games and in every game this season except one.

## Jeppson Pledging for the 1,000-Point Club

Of all the organizations on the Illinois State campus, the 1,000-Point Club must rank as one of the most exclusive with only 34 members in the last 104 years. The Redbirds' **Shawn Jeppson** is closing in on a membership, however. After scoring 5 points at Drake, Jeppson currently owns 926 points for his career and only needs 74 more to become the 35th player in Illinois State history to reach the 1,000-point plateau.

## Picked to Win the League? Chances Are You're Playing Illinois State

ISU will play 11 non-conference games this season. Of the Redbirds' 11 non-Missouri Valley Conference foes, seven of the teams were selected in the preseason polls to win their respective leagues. The seven preseason favorites are Weber State (Big Sky), UC-Irvine (Big West), UT-San Antonio (Southland), Illinois (Big Ten), Georgia Southern (Southern) and Central Michigan and Kent State, which are both favored to win the two divisions of the Mid-American Conference.

## Ford's Getting Offensive on the Boards

**Shedrick Ford** is Illinois State's second leading rebounder, averaging 4.0 boards per game. Of Ford's 60 total rebounds, 27 boards, or 45.0 percent, are coming off the offensive glass.

## FT Four-Peat ???

The Redbirds have opened the season shooting 75.6% from the charity stripe and are on a good start to eclipse 70% for a fourth straight season. ISU shot 72.8% from the free throw line last season, 74% in 1999-2000 and 73.5% in 1998-99. The Redbirds have not had a stretch of that length since it bettered 70% for a four-season span from 1982 through 1985.

## THE LAST TIME THEY MET

### Renn, Sycamores Hold Off Redbird Rally, 74-68

**TERRE HAUTE, Ind.** – Two layups by Matt Renn and four consecutive free throws by Kelyn Block in the final minute shut the door on a late rally by Illinois State in a 74-68 victory in Missouri Valley Conference men's basketball action Saturday in Terre Haute.

Indiana State used five straight points by Renn off consecutive turnovers by the Redbirds to ignite an 11-0 run two minutes into the second half. Although Illinois State erased a nine-point Sycamore lead to grab a one-point lead late in the game, the 'Birds could not overcome the Sycamores down the stretch.

The loss snaps a three-game winning streak by Illinois State, 16-5, 8-4, and drops the 'Birds from atop the MVC standings into fourth place behind Creighton and Bradley, which claimed conference victories earlier in the day.

With the victory, Indiana State, 17-8, 9-4, gained the season sweep over the Redbirds and moved into a second-place tie with Bradley.

Renn and Bryson exchanged layups down the stretch, but the 'Birds could not get the Sycamore lead under three points as they came up empty on three-straight possessions. Renn added another layup and Block connected on four consecutive free throws to seal the game.

### Indiana State 74, ILLINOIS STATE 68

February 10, 2001 • Terre Haute, Ind.

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Ford (F)	32	3-8	0-0	3-9	0	4	6
Beyers (C)	19	2-3	0-0	2-4	1	3	4
Bryson (G)	39	9-17	5-6	2-3	2	1	24
Rice (G)	31	2-4	2-2	0-2	4	2	7
Jeppson (G)	34	8-14	0-1	0-3	0	3	17
Knight	24	2-5	2-2	2-6	1	3	6
Strandmark	7	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	3	0
Hammock	14	0-0	4-4	0-2	0	1	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>26-52</b>	<b>13-15</b>	<b>9-29</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>68</b>

**Team Pct.:** FG – .500; FT – .867

**3-Pt.:** 3-14, .214 (Bryson 1-5, Rice 1-2, Jeppson 1-6, Ford 0-1)

**Blocks:** 1 (Knight 0-1)

**Turnovers:** 12 (Bryson 2, Rice 3, Jeppson 1, Ford 1, Beyers 3, Strandmark 2)

**Steals:** 4 (Bryson 1, Jeppson 1, Knight 2)

Indiana St.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Howard (F)	30	4-8	2-4	1-3	1	1	12
Kante (F)	31	3-3	8-10	1-4	1	1	14
Renn (C)	38	7-12	4-8	2-8	3	2	20
Menser (G)	35	4-10	3-3	1-3	4	2	13
Block (G)	35	4-7	4-6	0-2	3	2	13
Ashley	8	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	3	0
Welsh	5	0-0	0-0	0-	0	1	0
Avery	11	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	2	2
Broermann	7	0-0	0-0	0-2	1	1	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>23-46</b>	<b>21-31</b>	<b>8-26</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>74</b>

**Team Pct.:** FG – .500; FT – .677

**3-Pt.:** 7-12, .583 (Howard 2-3, Menser 2-6, Block 1-1, Renn 2-2)

**Blocks:** 2 (Kante 1, Block 1)

**Turnovers:** 11 (Howard 1, Kante 1, Menser 1, Block 1, Renn 3, Welsh 1, Avery 2, Broermann 1)

**Steals:** 8 (Howard 1, Kante 1, Menser 3, Block 1, Renn 2)

**Officials:** Sam Banks, David Warfel, Winton Stith

**Attendance:** 7,339

**Halftime Score:** Indiana St. 33, ILLINOIS STATE 31

## CHART CLIMBERS

### Career Scoring Leaders

1. Doug Collins (1970-73) .....	2,240
5. Bill Sarver (1951-54) .....	1,798
6. <b>TARISE BRYSON (1998-)</b> .....	<b>1,736</b>

### Career 3-Point FG Leaders

1. <b>TARISE BRYSON (1999-present)</b> .....	<b>214</b>
2. Dan Muller (1995-98) .....	204
3. Jeff Harris (1986-88) .....	157
4. Skipp Schaeffbauer (1996-98) .....	153
5. Richard Thomas (1990-93) .....	149
6. Rickey Jackson (1986-90) .....	126
7. Maurice Trotter (1994-96) .....	121
8. <b>SHAWN JEPPSON (1998-)</b> .....	<b>115</b>

### Career FT Made Leaders

1. <b>TARISE BRYSON (1998-)</b> .....	<b>468</b>
2. Fred Marberry (1954-57) .....	459

### Career FT Att. Leaders

1. Fred Marberry (1953-57) .....	756
2. Jerry McGreal (1965-68) .....	600
3. <b>TARISE BRYSON (1998-)</b> .....	<b>576</b>

### Career Steals

1. Ron Jones (1976-80) .....	232
2. Richard Thomas (1989-93) .....	174
3. Todd Wemhoener (1990-94) .....	163
4. Jamar Smiley (1994-98) .....	142
5. Michael McKinney (1981-85) .....	138
6. Rickie Johnson (1981-85) .....	129
<b>TARISE BRYSON (1998-)</b> .....	<b>129</b>

### Season Scoring Leaders

1. Doug Collins (1971-72) .....	847
2. Doug Collins (1970-71) .....	743
4. <b>TARISE BRYSON (2000-01)</b> .....	<b>685</b>
3. Doug Collins (1972-73) .....	650

### Season FT Made Leaders

1. <b>TARISE BRYSON (2000-01)</b> .....	<b>207</b>
2. Doug Collins (1970-71) .....	197

### Season FT Att. Leaders

1. <b>TARISE BRYSON (2000-01)</b> .....	<b>252</b>
2. Fred Marberry (1955-56) .....	244

## CAREER STARTS/GAMES

No.	Player	Illinois St.	
		GP	GS
2	Gregg Alexander	15	15
4	Dirk Williams	44	8
5	Andy Strandmark	70	14
11	Vince Greene	15	2
12	Tarise Bryson	91	83
15	Randy Rice	45	42
21	Shawn Jeppson	102	34
23	Baboucarr Bojang	15	15
31	Chad Mazanowski	61	12
33	Shedrick Ford	45	40
34	Kenneth Hill	0	0
40	Casey Reid	15	2
44	Brett Gillan	27	0

### **Bryson Out For Season**

**Tarise Bryson**, the nation's top returning scorer, the reigning Missouri Valley Conference Player of the Year and Redbirds leading scorer for the last three seasons, fell to the floor on a drive to the basket at the 17:46 mark of the second half in Illinois State's 74-70 opening night victory over Weber State. The fall ended the season for the Redbirds sixth all-time leading scorer, as Bryson dislocated his right wrist and suffered severe ligament damage to his shooting hand. Bryson underwent surgery the day after the game and will face a year of rehabilitation.

### **Jeppson Hits Century Mark**

With six minutes left in the game at Georgia Southern, Illinois State guard **Shawn Jeppson** became the ninth Redbird in school history to drain 100 treys in a career. Jeppson stands in eighth place overall and needs seven 3-pointers to surpass former Redbird Maurice Trotter.

### **Double-Double Debut for Mr. Bojang-les**

**Baboucarr Bojang** played his first game in a Redbird uniform against Weber State and it was worth an encore. Bojang tapped his way to posting his first double-double, as the SMS-West Plains Junior College transfer tossed in 14 points and grabbed 10 rebounds. It was the first time since November 23, 1990, that a Redbird had a double-double performance in an opening game. The late Reggie Wilson poured in 22 points and hauled in 13 rebounds in the season opener at Dayton. It was also Wilson's first game as a Redbird after transferring from Lincoln Community College.

### **Alexander the Great - Ballhandler**

According to the roster and the register's office, **Gregg Alexander** is a true freshman, but on the court he plays like a savvy veteran. In his first season with the Redbirds, Alexander has logged 467 minutes, second most on the team, and coughed up only 17 turnovers. Alexander is averaging .036 turnovers per minute and 1.1 per game. He has dished out 36 assists which ranks third on the team and is fourth on the club in scoring with 10.2 points per game. Alexander also shares the lead on the team in steals with 22.

### **Built Ford Tough**

**Shedrick Ford** is third on the Redbirds in scoring with 10.7 points per game and has scored double-figures for Illinois State in seven games. Ford has been the leading scorer in three games and had a season-high 21 points against Hofstra. In the season opener against Weber St., Ford put the team on his back after the injury to **Tarise Bryson** and finished with 18 points and eight boards.

### **Alexander Goes Where Few Freshmen Have Gone Before**

Since 1990, three true freshman have started their first collegiate games at Illinois State. One of them is current Redbird **Gregg Alexander**. Alexander drew the starting nod in the opener against Weber State and responded with eight points, one rebound and two assists in 20 minutes of play. Alexander joins P.J. Smith (1999) and Dan Muller (1994).

### **Been There, Done That**

At the Missouri Valley Conference media day, Illinois State was tabbed as the preseason favorite to win the league title by the conference media and sports information directors. The Redbirds received 26 of the possible 30 first-place votes. The last time the 'Birds were chosen preseason favorites was in 1997-98. Illinois State went on to win the conference. In 1996-97, the Redbirds were also favored to win and won the league.

### **It Never Gets Boring**

Last season's trip to the NIT marked Illinois State's 14th post-season appearance in 31 seasons on the Division I level. The Redbirds have finished over .500 in all but three of their campaigns as a D-I school and own 13 20-win campaigns over the last 26 years.

### **A Trade-In???**

It's not quite a trade, but next season when the Redbirds lose the services of **Shedrick Ford** to graduation they will add **Dana Ford**. Dana Ford, a 6-foot-4, 185 guard from Egyptian High School in Tamms, Ill., signed a national letter of intent during the early signing period with Illinois State. Last year, Dana Ford averaged 22.5 points and is the school's all-time leading scorer with 1,620 points.

## PLAYER UPDATES

### **#2 Gregg Alexander**

*Freshman • F • 6-4 • 190*

*Lincoln, Ill. (Lincoln)*

- **Last Game:** 17 pts, 5-9 3FG, 2 ast, 36 min.
- Only 17 turnovers in 467 minutes of play, but has 10 in the last four games.
- Has hit 10 of his last 17 treys (.588).
- Had sixth career double digit effort with 17 points at Drake.
- Scored a career-high 24 points in the overtime loss against Hofstra.
- Averages 31.1 minutes per game and is making a run at breaking the freshman record for minutes played in a season by Dan Muller with 953.

### **#4 Dirk Williams**

*Sophomore • F • 6-8 • 210*

*Pekin, Ill. (Pekin Community)*

- **Last Game:** 13 pts, 4-6 FG, 4 rebs, 17 min.
- Coming off biggest offensive output of the season with 13 points at Drake.
- Made 8 of his last 13 field goal attempts (.615).
- Shooting 3-for-20 from behind the arc.
- Has made all 22 of his free throw attempts this season.

### **#5 Andy Strandmark**

*Junior • C • 6-11 • 235*

*Geneseo, Ill. (Darnall)*

- **Last Game:** 0 pts, 0-2 FG, 3 rebs, 8 min.
- Got only starting nod of the season vs. Creighton.
- Posted his best scoring (7 points) and rebounding (7 boards) game of the season at Illinois.
- Battling a reoccurring stress fracture in right leg.
- Averaging 3.4 points per game in the 'Birds last 11 games, after going scoreless in first four.

### **#10 Kevin Troc**

*Freshman • G • 6-4 • 185*

*Lockport, Ill. (Lockport)*

- **Last Game:** DNP – Redshirt Candidate
- At the start of the season was expected to redshirt, but after the injury to Tarise Bryson was possibly going to play this year after all.
- Developed a staff infection during the team's trip to Pittsburgh, Pa., for the 2001 University Hoops Classic. Spent a week in the Pittsburgh hospital and will be out of action for six weeks. Thus will be redshirted for the 2001-02 campaign.

### **#11 Vince Greene**

*Sophomore • G • 5-9 • 160*

*Chicago, Ill. (Brother Rice)*

- **Last Game:** 5 pts, 1-5 3FG, 2 rebs, 2 ast, 15 min
- Made last 18 free throw attempts.
- Has made 2 of his last 17 trey attempts (.118).
- After four straight double-digit scoring games, has been held in single digits for the last six contests on a combined 6-for-41 shooting (.146).
- Has converted 2-for-23 on field goals in the last five games (.087).

### **#12 Tarise Bryson**

*Senior • G • 6-1 • 175*

*Decatur, Ill. (Stephen Decatur)*

- **Last Game:** DNP – Injured
- Suffered a season-ending injury (dislocated wrist) 22 minutes into the season opening game against Weber State.
- Entered the season as the nation's top returning scorer at 22.8 points per game, the highest scoring average by a Redbird in 26 years.
- Named 2001-02 Missouri Valley Conference Preseason Player of the Year and winning the league award in 2000-01.
- 2001 Associated Press All-American Honorable Mention.
- Ranks No. 6 on the Illinois State career list with 1,736 points.

### **#15 Randy Rice**

*Senior • G • 6-0 • 175*

*Springfield, Ill. (Springfield/Wabash Valley CC)*

- **Last Game:** 4 pts, 2-6 FG, 2 rebs, 3 ast, 31 min
- Scored a career-best 16 points against Wichita State, while posting career-highs in steals (6) and blocked shots (3).
- Pulled down a season-high 6 boards at UT-Chatt.
- Started every game except against UT-San Antonio.
- Went 3-for-3 against Central Michigan, after converting two of his previous 12 FG attempts.
- Shooting 10-for-22 (.455) over his last five games.

### **#21 Shawn Jeppson**

*Senior • G • 6-2 • 180*

*Spring Valley, Ill. (Hall)*

- **Last Game:** 5 pts, 2-9 FG, 1 reb, 2 ast, 24 min
- Scored a career-high 27 against Wichita State with 5-for-7 shooting on treys.
- Made 28 of his last 59 FG attempts (.475).
- Has hit 13 of his last 27 three-point attempts (.481).
- Left Illinois game after eight minutes with a moderate MCL sprain of his right knee.
- Has scored double-figures in nine contests.
- Made at least one trey in 30 of his last 34 games.

### **#23 Baboucarr Bojang**

*Junior • F • 6-9 • 205*

*Greenville, S.C. (Wade Hampton/SMS-West Plains)*

- **Last Game:** 12 pts, 6-11 FG, 7 rebs, 2 asts, 32 min
- Started all 15 games and has scored double figures in 14, including the last 12 games.
- Scored a career-high 26 points in the loss at Chattanooga, also added 8 boards (7 offensive).
- Grabbed a career-high 13 boards against Central Michigan and scored 20 points on 8-for-8 shooting.
- Posted four double-doubles in the first 8 games.
- Had back-to-back double-doubles against Hofstra and Georgia Southern.
- Has logged 30 or more minutes in 11 of 15 games.

### **#31 Chad Mazanowski**

*Senior • F • 6-6 • 225*

*DeKalb, Ill. (DeKalb)*

- **Last Game:** 4 pts, 1-1 FG, 2-3 FT, 2 min
- Has logged 41 minutes in 10 games.
- Battling chronic inflammation in his ankle. Has suffered from ankle injuries throughout his career.
- Three of his four FGs have been dunks.
- Tossed in five points each against Pitt and Hofstra, his first two games of the season.

### **#33 Shedrick Ford**

*Senior • F • 6-5 • 220*

*Macon, Ga. (Southwest/Neosho County CC)*

- **Last Game:** 6 pts, 3-7 FG, 1 reb, 2 asts, 20 min
- Held to six points in each of the last two games against Wichita State and Drake.
- Started 14 games for the Redbirds, but missed his first starting assignment against Kent State.
- Has hit 2 of his last 9 trey attempts (.222).
- Pulled down a season-best eight rebounds with 18 points in the season-opener against Weber State.

### **#34 Kenneth Hill**

*Freshman • F • 6-6 • 181*

*Naperville, Ill. (Central)*

- **Last Game:** DNP – Coach's Decision
- Late addition walk-on.
- Has yet to see any game action this season.
- Averaged 13.6 points, 6.4 rebounds, 2.4 assists per game during his senior season at Naperville Central.
- Selected to the all-conference and all-area teams.

### **#40 Casey Reid**

*Junior • F • 6-7 • 205*

*Las Vegas, Nev. (Las Vegas/Scottsdale CC)*

- **Last Game:** 7 pts, 3-3 FG, 5 rebs, 1 blk, 15 min
- Coming off of one of his best performances of the season with seven points on 3-for-3 shooting and five rebounds in 15 minutes.
- Two starting assignments on the season – UT-Chattanooga and Illinois.
- Played a solid 17 minutes at Illinois with four points, five rebounds and two blocked shots.
- Tallied 35 points in the last 11 games, after totaling four in the first four contests.

### **#44 Brett Gillan**

*Junior • G • 6-4 • 185*

*Normal, Ill. (Normal Community)*

- **Last Game:** DNP – Coach's Decision
- Walk-on that has seen action in five games.
- Logged four minutes, tying a career high, against Creighton while recording his first career assist.
- Played a minute each against Pittsburgh, Illinois and Kent State and three minutes at Southern Illinois.



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## CLUTCH FREE THROWS

Here's how the Redbirds have shot free throws in the game's final five minutes and during the overtime period:

	FTM	FTA	PTC
Williams	2	2	1.000
Jeppson	6	7	.857
Greene	10	12	.833
Mazanowski	5	7	.714
Rice	7	10	.667
Ford	5	8	.667
Bojang	14	23	.609
Alexander	4	7	.571
Strandmark	1	2	.500
Reid	1	2	.500
<b>Total</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>.688</b>

## SHOOTING BREAKDOWN

	Illinois St.	Opp.
FG Pct., 1st Half	169-401 (42.1%)	194-389 (49.9%)
FG Pct., 2nd Half	189-431 (43.9%)	208-411 (50.6%)
3FG Pct., 1st Half	36-119 (30.3%)	50-137 (36.5%)
3FG Pct., 2nd Half	45-128 (35.2%)	39-117 (33.3%)
FT Pct., 1st Half	76-98 (77.6%)	68-104 (65.4%)
FT Pct., 2nd Half	128-171 (74.9%)	119-158 (75.3%)
FG Pct., Home	130-295 (44.1%)	146-304 (48.0%)
FG Pct., Away	166-382 (43.5%)	180-351 (51.3%)
FG Pct., Neutral	63-161 (39.1%)	78-161 (48.4%)
3FG Pct., Home	33-93 (35.5%)	36-105 (34.3%)
3FG Pct., Away	32-109 (29.4%)	37-107 (34.6%)
3FG Pct., Neutral	16-46 (34.8%)	16-43 (37.2%)
FT Pct., Home	109-142 (76.8%)	67-93 (72.0%)
FT Pct., Away	57-78 (73.1%)	97-133 (72.9%)
FT Pct., Neutral	42-55 (76.4%)	27-42 (64.3%)

## BENCH SCORING

Weber State	24-20
vs. UC-Irvine	17-17
vs. Pittsburgh	13-14
vs. Hofstra	5-30
at Georgia Southern	23-15
at UT-San Antonio	24-21
Samford	25-13
Central Michigan	21-9
at Chattanooga	14-20
at Illinois	29-28
Kent State	30-18
Creighton	19-30
at Southern Illinois	13-21
Wichita State	4-24
at Drake	29-16
Indiana State	
at Creighton	
Southwest Missouri St.	
at Bradley	
Drake	
Northern Iowa	
at Southwest Missouri St.	
Bradley	
at Indiana State	
at Evansville	
Southern Illinois	
at Wichita State	
at Northern Iowa	
Evansville	
<b>Total</b>	<b>290-296</b>

## THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

### INDIVIDUAL

**A player scored 40 points ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... Tarise Bryson (41) at C. Michigan, 12-3-00  
**Opponent** ..... Anthony Roberts (48), Oral Roberts, 1-6-75

**A player scored 30 points ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... Tarise Bryson (38) at Purdue, 3-15-01  
**Opponent** ..... Jermaine Boyette (31), Weber St., 11-16-01

**A player grabbed 20 rebounds ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... Ron deVries (24) vs. Pacific, 1-19-74  
**Opponent** ..... Anthony Bonner (21), St. Louis, 2-6-90

**A player grabbed 15 rebounds ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... Shedrick Ford (15) vs. Bradley, 2-6-01  
**Opponent** ..... Joshua Cross (17), S. Illinois, 2-12-00

**A player had a double-double ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... B. Bojang (20p, 13r) vs. C. Mich., 12-9-01  
**Opponent** ..... Stetson Hairston (15p, 11r), S. Illinois, 1-5-02

**A player made five 3-pointers ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... Gregg Alexander (5-9) at Drake, 1-10-02  
**Opponent** ..... Luke McDonald (5-8), Drake, 1-10-02

**A player made 10 free throws ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... Tarise Bryson (12-15) at Purdue, 3-14-01  
**Opponent** ..... Devin Brown (10-13) at UTSA, 12-1-01

**A player had 15 free throw attempts ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... Tarise Bryson (12-15) at Purdue, 3-14-01  
**Opponent** ..... Aaron Thomas (14-15), Drake, 1-17-00

**A player had 10 assists ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... Randy Rice (13) vs. Evansville, 2-12-01  
**Opponent** ..... Jeremy Stanton (15), Evansville, 3-3-01

**A player had five steals ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... Randy Rice (6), vs. Wichita State, 1-7-02  
**Opponent** ..... Jerry Green (5), UC-Irvine, 11-23-01

**A player blocked five shots ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... LeRoy Watkins (5) vs. Alcorn State, 12-2-98  
**Opponent** ..... Jeff Rabey (5), Bradley, 2-21-01

### INDIVIDUAL

**A team scored 100 points ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... vs. Southern Illinois (105), 1-10-98  
**Opponent** ..... vs. Oklahoma (112), 12-28-90

**A team made 35 field goals ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... at Southern Illinois (35-53), 2-28-98  
**Opponent** ..... vs. UT-San Antonio (35-65), 12-17-00

**A team had 75 field goal attempts ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... vs. Lewis (78), 12-2-92  
**Opponent** ..... vs. Akron (27-80), 11-20-98

**A team shot 50 percent from the field ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... vs. C. Mich. (.524, 22-42), 12-9-01  
**Opponent** ..... at Drake (.565, 26-46), 1-10-02

**A team made 10 3-point field goals ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... vs. Wichita State (10-16), 1-7-02  
**Opponent** ..... at Drake (11-23), 1-10-02

**A team had 20 3-point field goal attempts ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... at Drake (8-27), 1-10-02  
**Opponent** ..... at Drake (11-23), 1-10-02

**A team shot 50 percent on 3-pointers ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... vs. Wichita State (.625, 10-16), 1-7-02  
**Opponent** ..... vs. Creighton (.500, 4-8), 1-2-02

**A team made 30 free throws ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... vs. UT-San Antonio (34-42), 12-17-01  
**Opponent** ..... at Drake (37-52), 1-17-01

**A team had 25 assists ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... vs. Hofstra (25), 11-25-01  
**Opponent** ..... na

**A team had 15 steals ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... vs. Weber State (15), 11-16-01  
**Opponent** ..... at Creighton (18), 12-12-99

**A team had blocked 10 shots ...**  
**ILLINOIS ST.** ..... 10 vs. Evansville, 1-17-79  
**Opponent** ..... na

## ILLINOIS STATE'S 2001-02 RECORD WHEN

Overall	5-10	ISU Scores 60 or More	4-6
Missouri Valley Conference	1-3	ISU Scores less than 60	1-4
Playing Nationally Ranked Teams	0-1	Opponent Scores 100 or More	0-0
Leading at the Half	4-0	Opponent Scores 90 or More	0-0
Trailing at the Half	1-10	Opponent Scores 80 or More	0-5
Tied at the Half	0-0	Opponent Scores 70 or More	2-8
Leading with 5:00 to Play	5-0	Opponent Scores 60 or More	3-10
Trailing with 5:00 to Play	0-10	Opponent Scores less than 60	2-0
Tied with 5:00 to Play	0-0	In Games Decided by 5 or less	1-1
In Overtime	0-1	In Games Decided by 6-10 Points	3-2
ISU out-rebounds opponent	1-2	In Games Decided by 11-20 Points	1-6
Opponents out-rebounds ISU	3-8	In Games Decided by 21+ Points	0-1
ISU has 15 or fewer Turnovers	1-6	Day Games	3-5
ISU has fewer Turnovers than opp.	4-5	Night Games	2-5
ISU shoots 50 Percent or Better	1-1	Home Court	4-2
ISU shoots 40 Percent or Better	4-6	Away Games	0-6
Opponents shoot less than 40 Percent	1-0	Neutral Games	1-2
Opponents shot 40 Percent or Better	4-9	When ISU Scores First	2-2
ISU shoots better than Opponent	1-1	When ISU Wins Tip	2-6
Opponent shoots better than ISU	4-9	In November	2-3
ISU has more FG Attempts	4-6	In December	2-4
Opponent has more FG Attempts	1-4	In January	1-3
ISU Shoots better than 35% on 3's	2-4	In February	0-0
ISU Attempts more 3's	2-5	In March	0-0
Opponents Attempt more 3's	3-4	On Sunday	1-1
ISU has more FT Attempts	4-4	On Monday	1-0
Opponent has more FT Attempts	1-6	On Tuesday	0-1
ISU Scores 100 or More	0-0	On Wednesday	0-1
ISU Scores 90 or More	0-0	On Thursday	0-2
ISU Scores 80 or More	1-2	On Friday	2-0
ISU Scores 70 or More	3-5	On Saturday	1-5

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## INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME (PTS-REB-ASTS)

Opponent	Alexander	Bojang	Bryson	Ford	Gillan	Greene
<i>Weber State</i>	8-1-2*	14-10-2*	8-3-3*	18-8-1*	DNP	1-0-1
<i>vs. UC-Irvine</i>	7-7-3*	13-8-1*	DNP – Injured	9-3-1*	DNP	11-0-4
<i>vs. Pittsburgh</i>	7-0-2*	7-5-0*	DNP – Injured	13-5-1*	0-0-0	4-2-0
<i>vs. Hofstra</i>	24-4-3*	10-11-2*	DNP – Injured	21-7-3*	DNP	0-0-4
<i>at Ga. Southern</i>	7-5-2*	14-10-1*	DNP – Injured	11-5-0*	DNP	12-2-4
<i>at UT-San Antonio</i>	18-3-2*	20-6-0*	DNP – Injured	2-5-3*	DNP	12-0-3*
<i>Samford</i>	5-3-4*	13-5-1*	DNP – Injured	6-2-1*	DNP	14-1-4
<i>C. Michigan</i>	7-4-4*	20-13-0*	DNP – Injured	15-3-1*	DNP	11-1-3
<i>at Chattanooga</i>	5-3-2*	26-8-0*	DNP – Injured	9-5-1*	DNP	2-1-1
<i>at Illinois</i>	15-5-1*	15-4-0*	DNP – Injured	8-1-2*	0-0-0	7-1-5
<i>Kent State</i>	2-4-1*	11-6-0*	DNP – Injured	9-1-4	0-0-0	2-0-4*
<i>Creighton</i>	10-1-3*	13-4-0*	DNP – Injured	12-3-1*	0-1-1	0-0-2
<i>at S. Illinois</i>	8-7-3*	13-9-1*	DNP – Injured	16-5-0*	0-0-0	0-2-2
<i>Wichita State</i>	13-2-2*	15-7-1*	DNP – Injured	6-6-2*	DNP	0-0-1
<i>at Drake</i>	17-1-2*	12-7-2*	DNP – Injured	6-1-2*	DNP	5-2-2
<i>Indiana State</i>						
<i>at Creighton</i>						
<i>SMS</i>						
<i>at Bradley</i>						
<i>Drake</i>						
<i>Northern Iowa</i>						
<i>at SMS</i>						
<i>Bradley</i>						
<i>at Indiana St.</i>						
<i>at Evansville</i>						
<i>S. Illinois</i>						
<i>at Wichita St.</i>						
<i>at N. Iowa</i>						
<i>Evansville</i>						

Opponent	Jeppson	Mazanowski	Reid	Rice	Strandmark	Williams
<i>Weber State</i>	14-1-5	DNP	4-0-1	2-2-1*	0-1-0	5-3-0
<i>vs. UC-Irvine</i>	12-3-1*	DNP	0-0-1	0-3-2*	0-1-0	6-2-0
<i>vs. Pittsburgh</i>	2-4-2*	5-0-0	0-1-1	4-1-2*	0-4-0	4-4-0
<i>vs. Hofstra</i>	14-1-5*	5-2-0	0-1-1	6-4-5*	0-0-1	0-0-1
<i>at Ga. Southern</i>	19-1-2*	0-0-0	8-3-1	2-2-3*	3-2-2	0-2-0
<i>at UT-San Antonio</i>	15-3-2	0-0-0	6-2-2*	0-3-2	4-0-1	5-5-0
<i>Samford</i>	5-2-1	DNP	2-3-0	6-0-3*	4-0-0	10-1-2*
<i>C. Michigan</i>	6-1-1	DNP	0-4-2	7-4-2*	4-1-0	2-1-1*
<i>at Chattanooga</i>	10-1-1	0-0-0	2-2-0	3-6-7*	0-2-1	2-7-1*
<i>at Illinois</i>	5-1-0	0-0-1	4-5-0*	2-3-3*	7-7-0	10-5-3
<i>Kent State</i>	12-1-0	0-3-0	3-2-0	3-0-4*	6-7-0	0-1-0*
<i>Creighton</i>	11-1-0	2-1-0	0-1-0	5-1-2*	3-4-0*	6-5-1
<i>at S. Illinois</i>	6-1-1*	0-1-0	3-3-1	2-1-1*	4-1-0	6-2-0
<i>Wichita State</i>	27-3-3*	DNP	0-1-3	16-0-3*	2-0-0	2-3-0
<i>at Drake</i>	5-1-2*	4-1-0	7-5-1	4-2-3*	0-3-0	13-4-1
<i>Indiana State</i>						
<i>at Creighton</i>						
<i>SMS</i>						
<i>at Bradley</i>						
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<i>at N. Iowa</i>						
<i>Evansville</i>						

## SUPERLATIVES

### STARTING LINEUPS – F, F, C, G, G (7):

- **Alexander, Ford, Bojang, Bryson, Rice (1-0)**  
(W) – Weber State
- **Alexander, Ford, Bojang, Rice, Jeppson (2-5)**  
(W) – UC-Irvine, Wichita State  
(L) – Pittsburgh, Hofstra, at Ga. Southern, at Southern Illinois, at Drake
- **Ford, Reid, Bojang, Alexander, Greene (0-1)**  
(L) – UT-San Antonio
- **Williams, Ford, Bojang, Alexander, Rice (2-1)**  
(W) – Samford, Central Michigan  
(L) – Chattanooga
- **Ford, Reid, Bojang, Alexander, Rice (0-1)**  
(L) – Illinois
- **Alexander, Williams, Bojang, Greene, Rice (0-1)**  
(L) – Kent State
- **Bojang, Ford, Strandmark, Alexander, Rice (0-1)**  
(L) – Creighton

### FIRST SUBSTITUTION:

Williams 7, Jeppson 4, Reid 2, Rice 1, Greene 1

### FIRST POINTS:

Bojang 9, Ford 2, Rice 2, Williams 1, Reid 1

### DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORERS (41):

Bojang 14, Jeppson 9, Ford 7, Alexander 6, Greene 5, Williams 3, Rice 1

### DOUBLE-DIGIT REBOUNDING (4):

Bojang 4

### LEADING SCORER:

Bojang 6, Ford 3, Jeppson 3, Alexander 3, Greene 1

### LEADING REBOUNDER:

Bojang 11, Strandmark 2, Ford 1, Williams 1

### DOUBLE-DOUBLES (4):

Bojang 4

### DUNKS (12):

Bojang 8, Mazanowski 3, Strandmark 1

### CHARGES DRAWN (16):

Ford 5, Williams 5, Rice 4, Jeppson 3, Bojang 3, Reid 3, Alexander 3, Strandmark 2, Greene 1

### MOST MINUTES:

- 42, Gregg Alexander vs. Hofstra, 11-25-01
- 39, Randy Rice vs. Hofstra, 11-25-01
- Baboucarr Bojang at Chattanooga, 12-15-01
- 38, Shedrick Ford vs. Hofstra, 11-25-01
- 37, Shawn Jeppson vs. Wichita State, 1-7-02
- 36, Baboucarr Bojang vs. UC-Irvine, 11-23-01
- Baboucarr Bojang vs. C. Mich., 12-9-01
- Gregg Alexander at Drake, 1-10-02
- 35, Baboucarr Bojang at S. Illinois, 1-5-02
- Randy Rice vs. Wichita State, 1-7-02
- 34, Gregg Alexander vs. UC-Irvine, 11-23-01
- Gregg Alexander vs. Samford, 12-8-01
- Gregg Alexander at Illinois, 12-18-01
- 33, Gregg Alexander vs. C. Michigan, 12-9-01
- Gregg Alexander at Chattanooga, 12-15-01
- Baboucarr Bojang vs. Creighton, 1-2-02
- Gregg Alexander vs. Wichita State, 1-7-02
- 32, Shedrick Ford vs. Pittsburgh, 11-24-01
- Baboucarr Bojang vs. Hofstra, 11-25-01
- Dirk Williams vs. Samford, 12-8-01
- Baboucarr Bojang vs. Samford, 12-8-01
- Gregg Alexander vs. Creighton, 1-2-02
- Baboucarr Bojang at Drake, 1-10-02



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## 2001-02 GAME-BY-GAME

	Final	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	O-D-T Reb.	Fouls	Assists	Turnovers	Blocks	Steals	Halftime
Weber State	70	26-56	46.4%	6-14	42.9%	12-19	63.2%	14-25-39	22	9	24	5	9	31
@ Illinois State (1-0)	<b>74</b>	<b>23-57</b>	<b>40.4%</b>	<b>4-20</b>	<b>20.0%</b>	<b>24-28</b>	<b>85.7%</b>	<b>9-22-31</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>35</b>
Illinois State (2-0)	58	21-49	42.9%	6-15	40.0%	10-11	90.0%	6-22-28	16	13	16	0	6	26
vs. UC-Irvine	52	20-43	46.5%	4-10	40.0%	8-15	53.3%	6-22-28	15	13	19	2	11	21
Pittsburgh	65	25-53	47.2%	5-14	35.7%	10-14	71.4%	10-28-38	20	17	16	6	5	32
vs. Illinois State (2-1)	<b>46</b>	<b>12-45</b>	<b>26.7%</b>	<b>1-11</b>	<b>9.1%</b>	<b>21-28</b>	<b>75.0%</b>	<b>9-20-29</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>20</b>
Illinois State (2-2)	80	30-67	44.8%	9-20	45.0%	11-16	68.8%	13-19-32	18	25	19	1	6	39
vs. Hofstra	82	33-65	50.8%	7-19	36.8%	9-13	69.2%	16-25-41	18	19	24	9	8	52
Illinois State (2-3)	76	29-65	44.6%	7-24	29.2%	11-15	73.3%	15-17-32	18	15	13	1	4	40
@ Georgia Southern	87	34-57	59.6%	5-12	41.7%	14-18	77.8%	6-25-31	13	22	12	4	4	48
Illinois State (2-4)	82	31-61	50.8%	8-17	47.1%	12-17	70.6%	4-25-29	25	15	18	2	4	32
@ UT-San Antonio	88	31-64	48.4%	4-17	23.5%	22-31	71.0%	12-30-42	19	18	16	5	10	42
Samford	54	20-36	55.6%	7-21	33.3%	7-10	70.0%	3-22-25	17	13	25	0	2	27
@ Illinois State (3-4)	<b>65</b>	<b>22-47</b>	<b>46.8%</b>	<b>4-12</b>	<b>33.3%</b>	<b>17-23</b>	<b>73.9%</b>	<b>6-14-20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>23</b>
Central Michigan	63	21-56	37.5%	5-21	23.8%	16-20	80.0%	11-15-26	26	8	15	4	13	14
@ Illinois State (4-4)	<b>72</b>	<b>22-42</b>	<b>52.4%</b>	<b>3-9</b>	<b>33.3%</b>	<b>25-61</b>	<b>80.6%</b>	<b>8-27-35</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>36</b>
Illinois State (4-5)	59	24-67	35.8%	2-13	15.4%	9-12	75.0%	15-20-35	20	14	13	2	7	26
@ Chattanooga	70	24-50	48.0%	5-12	41.7%	17-22	77.3%	11-28-39	18	13	20	7	7	36
Illinois State (4-6)	73	30-71	42.3%	4-20	20.0%	9-13	69.2%	17-20-37	21	15	10	4	3	37
@ #7 Illinois	87	34-64	53.1%	7-24	29.2%	12-22	54.5%	13-25-38	15	20	12	5	8	32
Kent State	61	23-56	41.1%	6-20	30.0%	9-11	81.8%	13-22-35	19	11	11	1	5	29
Illinois State (4-7)	<b>48</b>	<b>15-40</b>	<b>37.5%</b>	<b>7-17</b>	<b>41.2%</b>	<b>11-17</b>	<b>64.7%</b>	<b>8-22-30</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>
Creighton	76	31-50	62.0%	4-8	50.0%	10-16	62.5%	9-22-31	17	19	20	1	9	32
Illinois State (4-8, 0-1)	<b>62</b>	<b>22-54</b>	<b>40.7%</b>	<b>5-19</b>	<b>26.3%</b>	<b>13-19</b>	<b>68.4%</b>	<b>12-14-26</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>31</b>
Illinois State (4-9, 0-2)	58	24-55	43.6%	3-8	37.5%	7-11	63.6%	14-22-36	19	9	24	3	6	31
Southern Illinois	79	31-70	44.3%	5-19	26.3%	12-17	70.6%	20-18-38	16	16	11	8	8	43
Wichita State	71	25-50	50.0%	8-21	38.1%	13-17	76.5%	10-25-35	21	10	22	7	8	26
Illinois State (5-9, 1-2)	<b>81</b>	<b>26-55</b>	<b>47.3%</b>	<b>10-16</b>	<b>62.5%</b>	<b>19-24</b>	<b>79.2%</b>	<b>8-18-26</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>29</b>
Illinois State (5-10, 1-3)	73	28-63	44.4%	8-27	29.6%	9-10	90.0%	17-19-36	20	15	13	1	3	32
Drake	83	26-46	56.5%	11-23	47.8%	20-23	87.0%	2-19-21	13	20	7	1	7	36











## GAME 14

### Illinois State Finds Offense; Defeats Wichita State 81-71

**NORMAL, Ill.** – Seniors Shawn Jeppson and Randy Rice each scored career highs as Illinois State defeated Wichita State 81-71 at Redbird Arena. The victory snapped a five-game losing skid for the 'Birds.

Jeppson made five three-point baskets in the game to break his previous career mark of four and led the 'Birds in scoring with 27 points. Rice scored 16 points in the contest, his previous high was 10.. He also set career highs in steals with six and blocked shots with three.

Baboucarr Bojang and Gregg Alexander also had strong performances for Illinois State. Bojang scored 15 points and led the team on the boards with seven. Alexander chipped in 13 points, including 3-for-6 shooting from behind the arc.

The Shockers, 7-7 (1-2 MVC) were led by senior Terrell Benton with 16 points. Wichita State had three other players in double figures. Senior Troy Mack led the Shockers in rebounding with nine and also put in 11 points.

The second half saw the Redbirds pull away, outscoring the Shockers 30-15 through the first 11 minutes behind three three-pointers from Jeppson. The 'Birds took their largest lead of the game at 59-41 with 8:49 remaining in the game.

#### ILLINOIS STATE 81, Wichita State 71

January 7, 2002 • Normal, Ill.

Wichita State	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
McFall (F)	32	5-7	0-0	0-5	2	1	11
Kampman (F)	28	4-6	1-2	2-7	0	2	12
Mack (C)	26	3-5	5-6	3-9	2	4	11
Howard (G)	21	3-6	2-2	2-5	2	5	8
Burns (G)	26	1-6	2-2	1-2	0	2	5
Clark	11	1-2	0-0	0-1	2	0	2
Sowers	19	2-5	2-4	0-1	0	0	6
Benton	26	6-11	1-1	2-4	2	3	16
Steven	11	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	4	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>25-50</b>	<b>13-17</b>	<b>10-35</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>71</b>

**Team Pct.:** FG – .500; FT – .765

**3-Pt.:** 8-21, .381 (McFall 1-3, Kampman 3-4, Burns 1-4, Benton 3-8, Steven 0-2)

**Blocks:** 7 (Mack 2, Howard 1, Burns 1, Sowers 3)

**Turnovers:** 22 (McFall 4, Kampman 2, Mack 3, Howard 3, Burns 5, Clark 1, Benton 3, Steven 1)

**Steals:** 8 (McFall 2, Mack 1, Burns 3, Sowers 1, Steven 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Alexander (F)	33	5-8	0-1	0-2	2	1	13
Ford (F)	29	2-8	1-2	3-6	2	3	6
Bojang (C)	30	4-12	7-7	1-7	1	4	15
Rice (G)	35	4-8	7-9	0-0	3	2	16
Jeppson (G)	37	9-15	4-4	1-3	3	1	27
Williams	17	1-3	0-0	2-3	0	2	2
Strandmark	4	1-1	0-1	0-0	0	2	2
Greene	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Reid	10	0-0	0-0	0-1	3	2	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>26-55</b>	<b>19-24</b>	<b>8-26</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>81</b>

**Team Pct.:** FG – .473; FT – .792

**3-Pt.:** 10-16, .625 (Alexander 3-6, Ford 1-2, Rice 1-1, Jeppson 5-7)

**Blocks:** 3 (Rice 3)

**Turnovers:** 10 (Alexander 1, Ford 3, Rice 2, Jeppson 2, Williams 2)

**Steals:** 12 (Alexander 1, Ford 1, Bojang 1, Rice 6, Jeppson 2, Strandmark 1)

**Officials:** John Higgins, Mike Sanzere, Steve Olson

**Attendance:** 4,776

**Halftime Score:** ILLINOIS STATE 29, Wichita State 26

## GAME 15

### Illinois State Falls at Drake, 83-73

**DES MOINES, Iowa** – Luke McDonald and Andry Sola each had 17 points as Drake put on an offensive display to defeat the Redbirds 83-73 at the Drake Knapp Center in Des Moines, Iowa. The Bulldogs shot a season-high 57 percent from the field in the game, which was charged by 64 percent shooting in the second half.

Drake, 7-7 overall (2-2 MVC), had five players reach double figures in scoring in the game. J.J. Sola had 15 points, while Lonnie Randolph and Greg Danielson chipped in 11 and 10 points, respectively.

Illinois State, 5-10 overall (1-3 MVC), was led by Gregg Alexander with 17 points, including a 5-for-9 performance from behind the arc. Dirk Williams came off the bench to put up 13 points. Baboucarr Bojang contributed 12 points and led the 'Birds on the boards with seven rebounds.

With Drake ahead 36-32 at the half, Alexander and Bojang were able to cut the lead to one point early, but a 9-0 run by the Bulldogs with just over 15 minutes remaining kept the 'Birds at bay for the remainder of the game. Illinois State was unable to cut the lead to less than seven points following the 9-0 Bulldog run.

#### Drake 83, ILLINOIS STATE 73

January 10, 2002 • Des Moines, Iowa

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Alexander (F)	36	5-11	2-2	0-1	2	1	17
Ford (F)	20	3-7	0-0	0-1	2	1	6
Bojang (C)	32	6-11	0-0	3-7	2	3	12
Rice (G)	31	2-6	0-0	0-2	3	1	4
Jeppson (G)	24	2-9	0-0	0-1	2	4	5
Williams	17	4-6	4-4	3-4	1	3	13
Strandmark	8	0-2	0-0	0-3	0	0	0
Greene	15	2-7	0-0	1-2	2	3	5
Mazanowski	2	1-1	2-3	1-1	0	1	4
Reid	15	3-3	1-1	3-5	1	3	7
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>28-63</b>	<b>9-10</b>	<b>17-36</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>73</b>

**Team Pct.:** FG – .444; FT – .900

**3-Pt.:** 8-27, .296 (Alexander 5-9, Ford 0-2, Rice 0-2, Jeppson 1-6, Williams 1-3, Greene 1-5)

**Blocks:** 1 (Reid 1)

**Turnovers:** 13 (Alexander 3, Ford 1, Bojang 1, Rice 2, Jeppson 3, Greene 1, Reid 2)

**Steals:** 3 (Ford 1, Rice 2)

Drake	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
J. Sola (F)	31	6-10	3-3	1-4	4	4	15
A. Sola (F)	34	6-12	2-2	0-4	3	0	17
Danielson (C)	29	3-5	4-4	1-7	3	2	10
Newman (G)	27	3-7	0-0	0-1	5	1	8
McDonald (G)	37	6-9	0-0	0-1	1	1	17
Welton	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Randolph	14	2-2	6-7	0-1	3	1	11
Knight	17	0-1	5-7	0-1	1	4	5
O'Neill	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Bancroft	5	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>26-46</b>	<b>20-23</b>	<b>2-21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>83</b>

**Team Pct.:** FG – .565; FT – .870

**3-Pt.:** 11-23, .478 (J. Sola 0-1, A. Sola 3-7, Newman 2-5, McDonald 5-8, Randolph 1-1, Knight 0-1)

**Blocks:** 1 (Danielson 1)

**Turnovers:** 7 (A. Sola 3, Danielson 3, Randolph 1)

**Steals:** 7 (J. Sola 1, A. Sola 3, Danielson 1, McDonald 1, Knight 1)

**Officials:** Eddie Jackson, Glenn Mayborg, Tom O'Neill, Jr.

**Attendance:** 3,517

**Halftime Score:** Drake 36, ILLINOIS STATE 32