

RedbirdBasketball

GAME NOTES =

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ILLINO	IS STATE SCHEDULE	
Date	Opponent (TV)	Time/Result
11/9	AUGUSTANA [S.D.] (EX)	W, 60-49
11/19	INDIANAPOLIS	W, 54-50
11/22	@ Cincinnati (WXIX)	L, 59-76
11/26	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W, 64-47
11/29	GRAMBLING STATE	W, 62-50
12/3	UW-GREEN BAY	W, 59-51
12/6	IPFW	W, 65-36
12/10	GEORGIA SOUTHERN	L, 61-64
12/17	@ Cal. StNorthridge	L, 69-73
12/22	@ Indiana State* (Valley-TV)	L, 59-69 (ot)
12/31	CREIGHTON*	W, 53-50
1/2	@ Northern Iowa*	L, 47-60
1/5	@ Creighton* (KMTV)	L, 52-71
1/8	WICHITA STATE* (Cox-TV)	L, 47-56
1/11	@ Missouri State*	7:05 p.m.

Bird Bit: Illinois State owns a 6-13 record alltime against Missouri State when playing at the Hammons Student Center.

4:05 p.m.

NORTHERN IOWA*

1/16 1/22 1/25 1/28	EVANSVILLE* (Valley-TV) @ Southern Illinois* INDIANA STATE* SOUTHERN ILLINOIS* (WSIU)	7:05 p.m. 2:05 p.m. 7:05 p.m. 4:05 p.m.
2/1	@ Bradley* (WEEK)	7:35 p.m.
2/4	@ Evansville*	7:05 p.m.
2/7	@ Drake*	7:05 p.m.
2/11	BRADLEY* (WMBD)	4:05 p.m.
2/14	DRAKE*	7:05 p.m.
2/18	@ ESPN Bracket Buster%	TBA
2/22	MISSOURI STATE*	TBA
2/25	@ Wichita State*	TBA

3/2-5 @ State Farm MVC Tournament# TBA

All times listed are CST Home games in CAPS "Missouri Valley Conference game %ESPN's Bracket Buster Series

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ILLINOIS STATE <mark>REDBIRDS (6-7, 1-4)</mark>

GAME.

MISSOURI STATE BEARS (10-3, 3-2)

Wednesday, January 11, 2006 • 7:05 p.m. CST Hammons Student Center (8,846) • Springfield, Mo.

THE GAME FACTS

The Probable Starters:

ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS ▶ ▶ ▶











 Nedu Onyeuku
 Neil Plank
 Michael Vande

 ▶ Guard
 ▶ Guard
 ▶ Forward

 Sr.-1L • 6-3 • 185
 Sr.-2L • 6-5 • 208
 Fr.-HS • 6-7 • 220

 Omaha, Neb.
 Mt. Zion, III.
 Bettendorf, Iowa

 PPG RPG APG
 PPG RPG APG
 PPG RPG APG

 8.2 2.6 1.5 9.3 4.2 3.9 5.0 3.5 1

 Michael Vandello
 Dana Ford
 Greg Dilligard

 ▶ Forward
 ▶ Guard
 ▶ Forward

 Fr.-HS • 6-7 • 220
 Sr.-3L • 6-4 • 195
 Jr.-2L • 6-8 • 230

 Bettendorf, Iowa
 Tamms, III.
 Labelle, Mo.

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F	0	Nathan Bi	lyeu		6-6	215	Jr.	Oz	zark, Mo).		8.9	7.3	3.0
F	3	Tyler Cha	ney		6-5	205	Jr.	Ne	eosho, N	Лo.		11.5	4.1	3.3
С	41	Sky Fraize	er		6-10	255	So.	Aι	igusta, I	Mo.		9.6	5.6	0.5^{*}
G	15	Blake Ahe	earn		6-2	190	Jr.	St	Louis,	Mo.		18.7	2.0	3.3
G	21	Deke Tho	mpson		6-0	185	Sr.	Tu	lsa, Okl	a.		11.5	2.3	2.7
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About The Game: For the fourth straight game, Illinois State will face a team that is coming off a loss. The Redbirds travel to Missouri State on the heels of the Bears 72-62 loss to Northern Iowa. Illinois State is looking for its first road win of the season on its sixth try.

Series History: Tonight's game marks the 45th meeting in the series. The Redbirds own a 26-18 advantage in the series, but the Bears have won five of the last seven meetings. Missouri State has won nine of the last 10 meetings in Springfield, Mo. The lone Redbird win came on Jan. 11, 2001.

Radio: Dick Luedke, play-by-play; Mike Matthews, color; Bruce Evans, sideline (home only) and Jim Williams, studio host. Affiliates: WJBC (AM 1230/Bloomington), flagship; WBIG (AM 1280/Aurora), WJEZ (FM 98.9/Dwight), WZOE (AM 1490/Princeton) and WFMB (AM 1450/Springfield). All Redbird broadcasts, including Porter Moser's weekly call-in show, which generally airs each Thursday from 6:07-7 pm, depending on the schedule, can be heard via the Internet at GoRedbirds.com.

Television: None.

THE COACHES

Porter Moser (Creighton '90) owns an 87-73 (.544) career mark in his third season at Illinois State, including a 33-39 (.458) record with the Redbirds. Prior to guiding the 'Birds, Moser served three seasons at Arkansas-Little Rock in his first head coaching position. Moser is assisted by Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson and Brian Barone.

Barry Hinson (Oklahoma State '83) is in his seventh season at Missouri State. He owns a 118-84 (.584) record with the Bears and carries a 154-107 (.590) record in his nine seasons as a head coach. He is assisted by Troy Collier, Kyan Brown and Ben Miller.



TALE OF THE TAPE





4.7	10-3
	84.0
57.9	70.3
-0.2	+13.7
43.1	47.6
39.3	40.5
32.7	40.6
36.6	31.3
62.6	71.8
9.5	13.5
31.9	40.7
-0.6	+4.8
14.2	17.3
17.2	13.8
-0.6	+1.8
7.0	7.8
4.8	3.8
17.5	19.3
	-0.2 43.1 39.3 32.7 36.6 62.6 9.5 31.9 -0.6 14.2 17.2 -0.6 7.0 4.8

WEEKLY MEDIA CONFERENCE

All start at 2:30 p.m. and are located in the Redbird Arena media room off the Southwest Loading Dock.

- · Monday, January 9
- Wednesday, January 18
- Monday, January 23
- · Tuesday, January 31
- Thursday, February 9
- Thursday, February 16
- Tuesday, February 21
- Monday, February 27

WHAT'S BACK

Here is a look at what is returning to the Illinois State roster in 2005-06:

Scoring	30.1%
Three-point Field Goals	22.4%
Free Throws	34.3%
Rebounding	45.7%
Assists	30.9%
Blocks	83.5%
Steals	46.2%
Minutes	41.1%

VALLEY TELECONFERENCE

Teleconferences with The Valley men's basketball head coaches will be conducted each Tuesday, with the men's briefings beginning on a weekly basis in December at 10 a.m. To participate in either conference briefing, call 913/981-5509. The first men's teleconference begins at 10 a.m. CST on Tuesday, December 6. Head coach Porter Moser will be available at 10:25 a.m. during the teleconference.

ABOUT THE MISSOURI STATE BEARS

- Missouri State, located in Springfield, Mo., was founded in 1905 and has an enrollment of 20,846.
- The Bears return nine letterwinners, including three starters, from a team that finished 19-13 overall and finished fifth in the Missouri Valley Conference with a 10-8 mark.
- Junior guard Blake Ahearn leads the Missouri Valley Conference in scoring with 18.7 points per game, as the Bears, as a team, also lead the league in scoring with 84 points per contest.
- Missouri State also ranks first in the conference in scoring margin (+13.7), three-point field goal percentage (40.6), rebounding offense (40.7), assists (17.31), defensive rebounds (27.15) and three-point field goals made (7.62).
- Sophomore Dale Lamberth is the league's top 3-point shooter, converting 56.7 percent of his tries beyond the arc.

MISSOURI STATE NUMERICAL ROSTER							
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	
0	Nathan Bilyeu	F	6-6	215	Jr.	Ozark, Mo.	
1	Justin Fuehrmeyer	G	6-0	165	Fr.	St. Charles, Mo.	
_2	Dale Lamberth	F	6-5	215	So.	Oklahoma City, Okla.	
3	Tyler Chaney	G	6-5	205	Jr.	Neosho, Mo.	
_4	Drew Richards	С	6-9	250	So.	Rogersville, Mo.	
_5	Deven Mitchell	F	6-5	205	Jr.	Springfield, Mo.	
12	Shane Laurie	G	6-2	180	Fr.	Springfield, Mo.	
15	Blake Ahearn	G	6-2	190	Jr.	St. Louis, Mo.	
21	Deke Thompson	G	6-0	185	Sr.	Tulsa, Okla.	
25	Kyle Rausch	F	6-8	213	Fr.	Blue Springs, Mo.	
30	Kellen Easley	G/F	6-6	208	Sr.	Joliet, III.	
41	Sky Fraizer	С	6-10	255	So.	Augusta, Mo.	

Head Coach: Barry Hinson Assistant Coach: Troy Collier, Kyan Brown, Ben Miller

MISSOURI STATE SCHEDULE

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	10-3 Overall, 3-2	Valley	
Date	Opponent	Score/Time	W/L
Nov 19	NORTHERN ILLINOIS	87-51	W
Nov 26	at Arkansas State	97-80	W
Dec 2	GEORGIA SOUTHERN^	101-55	W
Dec 3	TAMU-CC [^]	95-75	W
Dec 7	at Oral Roberts	88-76	W
Dec 10	DETROIT	85-71	W
Dec 15	at Arkansas	75-79	L
Dec 22	ARKANSAS STATE	84-55	W
Dec 28	at Creighton*	56-78	L
Dec 30	INDIANA STATE*	97-78	W
Jan 2	at Drake*	85-79	W
Jan 5	at Evansville*	80-65	W
Jan 7	NORTHERN IOWA*	62-72	L
Jan 11	ILLINOIS STATE*	Tonight	
Jan. 14	at Wichita State*	7:05 p.m.	
Jan 19	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	7:05 p.m.	
Jan 22	WICHITA STATE*	2:05 p.m.	
Jan 25	at Bradley*	7:05 p.m.	
Jan 29	at Indiana State*	1:05 p.m.	
Feb 1	DRAKE*	7:05 p.m.	
Feb 4	BRADLEY*	7:05 p.m.	
Feb 7	at Southern Illinois*	8:05 p.m.	
Feb 11	at Northern Iowa*	7:05 p.m.	
Feb 14	EVANSVILLE*	7:05 p.m.	
Feb 18	at Bracket Buster	TBA	
Feb 22	MISSOURI STATE*	TBA	
Feb 25	CREIGHTON*	TBA	
Mar 2-4	at State Farm Missouri Va	illey	
	Conference Tournament		

* - Missouri Valley Conference game.

Missouri State Price Cutter Classic (Springfield, Mo.)
 HOME GAMES IN CAPS.

DILLY RAISES THE BAR

When it is all said and done **Greg Dilligard** will go down in history as one of the best defensive players to suit up for the Redbirds. In his third season, Dilligard now ranks No. 5 in career blocked shots with 90. With four blocks against Wichita State, Dilligard surpassed Bill Braksick on the all-time list. Dilligard, who has 28 blocked shots this year, also needs seven more blocks to move into the top 10 for blocks in a season.

DILLY DOUBLES DOWN

Prior to the season, junior **Greg Dilligard** was asked to become more assertive offensively -- he has responded. Dilligard has posted five straight double-digit scoring games, the longest string of his career. He now has 14 double-digit scoring games in his career, including eight this season.

WALKING THE PLANK

It isn't the sole reason for defeat, but the Redbirds appear to go how senior **Neil Plank** goes. In the Redbirds' six wins this season, Plank is leading the team with 13.2 points per game, while shooting 50 percent (25-for-50) from the field. In the seven losses, Plank is averaging six points per game and shooting 25.9 percent (15-for-58) from the floor.

BUILT FORD TOUGH

Not only is **Dana Ford** leading the team in steals, he is also leading the Redbirds in defensive rebounds. Ford ranks second on the team with 4.6 boards per game, but 54 of his 60 overall rebounds have come off the defensive glass. Despite his 6-foot-4, 195-pound frame, Ford is coming away with the bulk of ISU's defensive rebounds.

BLOCK PARTY

The Redbirds are averaging 4.8 blocked shots per game as a team, led by **Greg Dilligard's** 28 swats. With 62 blocked shots in 12 games, ISU leads the Missouri Valley Conference in blocked shots, while Dilligard ranks second with 2.2 blocks per game. At this pace, the Redbirds would have the second best shot blocking average in school history, trailing only the 1976-77 team which averaged 4.9 blocks per game.

ISU DEFENSE HAS IT'S PEAKS AND VALLEYS

Since starting league play, the Redbird defense has dipped in terms of field goal percentage defense. In non-league games, Redbird opponents were only shooting 35.6 percent from the floor. However, since starting conference play, ISU has seen its defensive field goal percentage rise to 46.1 percent against Valley foes.





FIRST THINGS FIRST

Illinois State enters tonight's game in search of its first road victory of the season. To date, the 'Birds are 0-5 on the road this season. Dating back to last year, ISU has dropped seven straight road games, but the 'Birds are 4-8 in their last 12 road contests.

THIRTY SOMETHING

That's what Illinois State opponents are shooting in Redbird victories - 33.9 percent to be exact. In fact, in the win over UW-Green Bay, the 'Birds put a clamp on the Phoenix by limiting them to 29 percent shooting from the field. The effort was the Redbirds' best since holding Tennessee-Martin to 28.8 percent shooting last season. But, even including the seven losses, Illinois State opponents are only shooting 39.3 percent from the field on the season, which is the best defensive effort in the Missouri Valley Conference.

SO YOU WANT TO GO TO THE LEAGUE

Every collegiate player dreams of playing in the league, and the recent Illinois State schedule is giving the Redbirds a taste of the NBA life. The 'Birds are facing Missouri State in the fifth of seven games in 17 days, which sure is a change of pace from the two games in 20 days surrounding finals week and the holidays.

185 GAMES WITH A TREY ON THE BOARD

ISU enters the game at Missouri State with at least one made three in 185 straight games. The last time ISU didn't sink a trey was an 82-43 loss at Creighton on Dec. 12, 1999.

SOME HOLIDAY STEALS

Sure it's January, but senior **Dana Ford** has continued his post-holiday shopping and he's finding a number of steals. After 13 games, Ford leads the Redbirds in thefts with 28 and is on pace to finish the season with 66, which would rank first in the Redbirds' top 10 all-time.

D-FENCE, D-FENCE

Since **Porter Moser's** arrival at Illinois State he has emphasized team defense and it's starting to show. In the last two complete seasons, opponents have averaged fewer than 66 points per game. This season, Redbird opponents are averaging 57.9 points per contest. If the Redbirds can maintain this effort, it would mark the first time this feat has occurred three straight seasons since the 1985-86, 1984-85 and 1983-84 campaigns. The 57.9 points per game by Illinois State foes would also rank as the lowest in school history.

SO THIS IS WHAT A FULL ROSTER LOOKS LIKE?

For the first time in **Porter Moser's** tenure, the Redbirds will field a team with all 13 scholarships occupied. After signing **Osiris Eldridge** and **Bobby Hill** during the early signing period, the Redbirds have one scholarship available for next season.

WE HAVE ANOTHER WINNER

With 17 wins during the 2004-05 season, the Redbirds enjoyed their 30th winning season in 35 years of being a Division I program. The 17 victories was the most by ISU since the 2001-02 season.

OUT OF AFRICA...

And into Redbird Arena for four Redbirds this season. Freshmen **Dinma Odiakosa** and **Eric Vianney** are from the continent, with Odiakosa coming from Nigeria and Vianney being from Cameroon. In addition, senior **Nedu Onyeuku** and junior **Roberto Fortes** were each born in Africa before their families moved to the United States. Onyeuku was born in Nigeria, while Fortes was born in Angola.

PRIZED PUPIL PLANK

Neil Plank was named to the 2005 *ESPN the Magazine* Academic All-America® University Division Men's Basketball Second Team and was honored as the 2005 Prairie Farms/Missouri Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Year. The two-time All-District V Academic selection was also a 2005 Missouri Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete First Team selection. He carried a 4.0 grade point average as an undergraduate finance major and is currently pursuing his master's in business administration.

THIS DATE IN REDBIRD HISTORY

Jan. 11, 2001 – In the only time the Redbirds have won at Missouri State in the last decade, Shawn Jeppson paced the 'Birds with 19 points as Illinois State posted a 64-60 win over the Bears at the Hammons Student Center. ISU used a 9-for-10 free throw shooting effort down the stretch to secure the win. Illinois State owns an 8-4 record on this date during the Division I era.

THE LAST TIME THEY MET

Bears Fire Past ISU Down the Stretch

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Junior Lorenzo Gordon's jumper brought the Illinois State men's basketball team to within two points at 68-66, with 2:16 left on the clock, but that was the last time the Redbirds would score as they dropped a 77-66 decision to Missouri State at the Hammons Student Center, Saturday night.

Missouri State 77, ILLINOIS STATE 66

February 26, 2005 • Hammons Student Center

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Gordon, f	30	4-5	3-4	0-4	1	4	11
Dilligard, f	14	1-1	1-2	1-1	1	4	3
Alexander, g	28	1-5	0-0	1-4	2	0	3
Greene, g	35	6-10	1-1	1-1	4	1	16
D. Ford, g	25	1-5	0-1	3-5	2	3	2
K. Ford	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Guidry	27	5-12	4-4	0-0	1	4	16
Plank	12	3-4	1-3	2-3	0	5	7
Dyer	18	2-5	2-2	0-2	1	3	6
Carlwell	6	1-1	0-0	0-2	0	1	2
Totals	200	24-48	12-17	12-28	12	26	66

Team Pct.: FG - .500; FT - .706

3-Pt.: 6-20, .300 (Alexander 1-5, Greene 3-6, D. Ford 0-1, Guidry 2-6, Diver 0-2)

Blocks: 0

Turnovers: 22 (Gordon 2, Alexander 2, Dilligard 3, Greene 5, D. Ford 1, Guidry 7, Dver 1)

Steals: 8 (Gordon 3, Greene 2, D. Ford 1, Guidry 2)

Missouri St.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Bilyeu, f	23	4-7	7-8	1-2	1	3	15
Chaney, f	15	3-4	0-0	0-1	0	2	7
Maclin, c	26	4-6	5-8	3-5	0	3	13
Fisher, g	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Shavies, g	27	0-4	0-0	0-2	3	5	0
Richards	12	0-1	2-4	1-1	0	0	2
Ahearn	27	4-7	4-4	0-1	3	1	13
Thompson	19	2-2	1-2	1-1	2	1	5
Mitchell	27	4-6	3-3	0-5	2	1	11
Easley	17	2-4	7-8	2-5	1	1	11
Fraizer	3	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Totals	200	23-43	29-37	8-24	12	19	77

Team Pct.: FG - .535; FT - .784

3-Pt.: 2-7, .286 (Chaney 1-2, Shavies 0-1, Ahearn 1-3, Fraizer 0-1)

Blocks: 4 (Maclin 1, Richards 1, Mitchell 2)

Turnovers: 16 (Chaney 2, Maclin 6, Shavies 2, Ahearn 1, Thompson 1, Mitchell 1, Easley 3)

Steals: 11 (Bilyeu 2, Maclin 1, Shavies 1, Thompson 1, Mitchell 6)

Officials: Ron Berkholtz, Brad Gaston, Dave Draucker

Attendance: 7,036

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 25, Missouri State 25

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CHART CLIMBERS

Career Blocked Shots Leaders	
1. LeRoy Watkins (1996-99)	143
2. Mike VandeGarde (1990-94)	134
3. Joe Galvin (1976-80)	132
4. Jeff Wilkins (1974-77)	103
5. Greg Dilligard (2004-)	

CAREER STARTS/GAMES

		Illinois	SSt.
No.	Player	GP	GS
50	Greg Dilligard	72	65
25	Neil Plank	70	29
43	Dana Ford	90	25
5	Khalif Ford	33	8
31	Michael Vandello	13	8
3	Nedu Onyeuku	37	6
51	Ronnie Carlwell	46	2
42	Dinma Odiakosa	8	2
32	Levi Dyer	21	1
14	Travis Wallace	15	0
45	Brandon Holtz	13	0
21	Eric Vianney	7	0
1	Roberto Fortes	7	0
23	Mark Kruse	5	0

2005-06 VALLEY STANDINGS

		VALLEY			0	VER.	ALL	
		W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT	
1.	Southern Illinois	4	0	1.000	11	3	.786	
2.	Northern Iowa	4	1	.800	14	2	.875	
3.	Missouri State	3	2	.600	10	3	.769	
	Wichita State	3	2	.600	12	4	.750	
	Creighton	3	2	.600	9	4	.692	
6.	Bradley	2	3	.400	8	5	.615	
	Drake	2	3	.400	9	7	.563	
8.	Evansville	1	3	.250	5	7	.417	
9.	Indiana State	1	4	.200	8	5	.615	
	Illinois State	1	4	.200	6	7	.462	
	*Through Jan. 8 games							

PRONOUNCIATIONS

Levi Dyer	LEE-vye
	cah-LEEF
Mark Kruse	CREWS
Porter Moser	MO-zur
Dinma Odiakosa	DEEN-muh oh-DEE-oh-kosa
Nedu Onyeuku	NEY-do oh-NEW-coo
Michael Vandello	van-DUH-low
Eric Vianney	VEE-uh-nee

2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE RESULTS

RECORD:		OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTF	RAL	
ALL GAMES	S	6-7	6-2	0-5	0-0		
CONFEREN	ICE	1-4	1-1	0-3	0-0		
NON-CONF	ERENCE	5-3	5-1	0-2	0-0		
DATE	TIME	OPPONENT		SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11-19-05	2:05 pm CST	INDIANAPOLIS	W	54-50	3747	(12)PLANK,Neil	(5)FORD,Dana (5)FORD,Khalif
11-22-05	8 pm EST	at Cincinnati		59-76 L	8802	(16)DILLIGARD,Greg	(6)FORD,Dana
11-26-05	2:05 pm CST	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W	64-47	3980	(16)PLANK,Neil	(7)VANDELLO,Michael
11-29-05	7:05 pm CST	GRAMBLING STATE	W	62-50	5149	(18)DILLIGARD,Greg	(9)DILLIGARD,Greg
12-03-05	4:05 pm CST	UW-GREEN BAY	W	59-51	5871	(13)PLANK,Neil	(7)DILLIGARD,Greg
						(13)DILLIGARD,Greg	
12-06-05	7:05 pm CST	IPFW	W	65-36	5181	(10)PLANK,Neil	(7)DILLIGARD,Greg
12-10-05	7:05 pm CST	GEORGIA SOUTHERN		61-64 L	6762	(14)ONYEUKU,Nedu	(7)PLANK,Neil
12-17-05	7:05 pm PST	at Cal State Northridge		69-73 L	1013	(15)FORD,Dana	(7)PLANK,Neil
12-22-05	7:07 pm EST	* at Indiana State		59-69 LOT	5072	(22)DILLIGARD,Greg	(12)DILLIGARD,Greg
12-31-05	2:05 pm CST	* CREIGHTON	W	53-50	5970	(17)PLANK,Neil	(6)PLANK,Neil
01-02-06	7:05 pm	*at Northern Iowa		47-60 L	4014	(12)DILLIGARD,Greg	(5)PLANK,Neil
01-05-06	7:07 pm	* at Creighton		52-71 L	12882	(17)ONYEUKU,Nedu	(5)DILLIGARD,Greg
01-08-06	2:05 pm CST	*WICHITA STATE		47-56 L	5289	(16)FORD,Dana	(7)FORD,Dana
* - Conferenc	e game						

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME	8	41949	5244
AWAY	5	31783	6357
NEUTRAL	0	0	0
TOTAL	13	73732	5672

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	CIEx.	Hometown (Previous schools)
1	Roberto Fortes	G	6-4	195	JrTR	Fort Wayne, Ind. (North Side/Daytona Beach CC)
3	Nedu Onyeuku	G	6-3	185	Sr1L	Omaha, Neb. (Creighton Prep/Iowa Western CC)
5	Khalif Ford	G	6-1	181	So1L	Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Bar/Bridgton Academy)
14	Travis Wallace	G	6-0	175	Sr1L	St. Louis, Mo. (Jennings/Meramec JC)
21	Eric Vianney	G	6-2	210	FrHS	Yaoundé, Cameroon (Picayune [Miss.])
23	Mark Kruse	G/F	6-7	205	JrTR	St. Cloud, Minn. (Apollo/North Dakota State College of S
25	Nati Diadi	CIE	/ F	200		AA 7: III (AA 7: (A):

Science) Neil Plank G/F 6-5 208 Sr.-2L Mt. Zion, III. (Mt. Zion/Wisconsin) Michael Vandello 6-7 220 Fr.-HS Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf) Levi Dyer 6-11 220 So.-1L Eaton, Colo. (Eaton) Fr.-HS Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School) 240 Dinma Odiakosa 6-8 43 Dana Ford 195 Sr.-3L Tamms, III. (Egyptian) Fr.-HS Bloomington, III. (Bloomington) 45 Brandon Holtz 6-4 185

6-11 258 So.-1L Maywood, III. (Proviso East)

Labelle, Mo. (Highland)

Jr.-2L

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51 Ronnie Carlwell
Head Coach: Porter Moser

Greg Dilligard

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Assistant Coaches: Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson, Brian Barone

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2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE STATISTICS

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##	Player	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	Α	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
50	DILLIGARD,Greg	13	13	389	29.9	69	111	.622	0	0	.000	12	27	.444	28	40	68	5.2	36	2	17	21	28	11	150	11.5
	Conference-Only	5	5	168	33.6	33	55	.600	0	0	.000	4	8	.500	11	15	26	5.2	15	1	10	10	11	4	70	14.0
25	PLANK,Neil	13	13	404	31.1	40	108	.370	14	48	.292	27	41	.659	10	44	54	4.2	16	0	51	36	2	12	121	9.3
	Conference-Only	5	5	152	30.4	12	39	.308	3	17	.176	2	7	.286	3	14	17	3.4	6	0	15	19	0	6	29	5.8
43	FORD,Dana	13	13	362	27.8	45	111	.405	15	49	.306	6	11	.545	6	54	60	4.6	28	1	23	27	7	28	111	8.5
	Conference-Only	5	5	150	30.0	17	40	.425	5	19	.263	0	2	.000	1	21	22	4.4	7	0	5	13	3	12	39	7.8
03	ONYEUKU,Nedu	13	5	298	22.9	40	76	.526	10	26	.385	16	29	.552	8	26	34	2.6	25	1	19	31	4	12	106	8.2
	Conference-Only	5	5	125	25.0	15	32	.469	5	12	.417	6	10	.600	3	9	12	2.4	11	1	10	12	2	6	41	8.2
31	VANDELLO, Michael	13	8	290	22.3	23	61	.377	4	14	.286	15	18	.833	15	30	45	3.5	32	0	21	25	3	7	65	5.0
	Conference-Only	5	1	104	20.8	9	21	.429	2	6	.333	8	10	.800	2	14	16	3.2	15	0	6	14	1	1	28	5.6
05	FORD,Khalif	13	8	306	23.5	19	54	.352	6	18	.333	17	26	.654	5	19	24	1.8	36	2	35	43	2	7	61	4.7
	Conference-Only	5	0	91	18.2	5	13	.385	1	4	.250	2	4	.500	2	4	6	1.2	13	1	10	10	0	1	13	2.6
45	HOLTZ,Brandon	13	0	156	12.0	18	41	.439	8	25	.320	2	4	.500	4	16	20	1.5	8	0	6	7	1	7	46	3.5
	Conference-Only	5	0	78	15.6	7	15	.467	4	9	.444	0	0	.000	1	8	9	1.8	3	0	4	1	1	3	18	3.6
32	DYER,Levi	12	1	103	8.6	8	29	.276	7	18	.389	12	12	1.000	3	9	12	1.0	13	0	2	3	2	1	35	2.9
	Conference-Only	4	0	27	6.8	2	8	.250	1	3	.333	0	0	.000	2	2	4	1.0	3	0	0	1	1	1	5	1.3
23	KRUSE,Mark	5	0	27	5.4	5	18	.278	2	10	.200	0	0	.000	2	3	5	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0	12	2.4
	Conference-Only	1	0	1	1.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
21	VIANNEY, Eric	7	0	26	3.7	4	6	.667	3	4	.750	2	3	.667	0	4	4	0.6	7	0	1	4	0	1	13	1.9
	Conference-Only	3	0	7	2.3	1	2	.500	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	4	0	0	0	0	1	2	0.7
01	FORTES,Roberto	8	0	46	5.8	4	11	.364	3	8	.375	0	0	.000	0	2	2	0.3	5	0	3	3	0	1	11	1.4
	Conference-Only	4	0	25	6.3	3	7	.429	2	5	.400	0	0	.000	0	2	2	0.5	1	0	0	1	0	1	8	2.0
42	ODIAKOSA,Dinma	8	2	55	6.9	2	11	.182	0	0	.000	3	8	.375	4	5	9	1.1	9	0	1	4	1	2	7	0.9
	Conference-Only	2	2	28	14.0	1	4	.250	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	1	3	4	2.0	6	0	1	1	1	1	3	1.5
51	CARLWELL,Ronnie	13	2	142	10.9	3	12	.250	0	0	.000	5	9	.556	11	19	30	2.3	11	0	4	10	12	2	11	0.8
	Conference-Only	5	2	55	11.0	1	5	.200	0	0	.000	0	3	.000	4	6	10	2.0	2	0	1	5	4	0	2	0.4
14	WALLACE, Travis	7	0	21	3.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	0	1	1	0.1	0	0	2	3	0	0	2	0.3
	Conference-Only	3	0	14	4.7	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
TM	TEAM														27	20	47	3.6	0			6				
	Conference-Only														10	5	15	3.0	0			1				
	Total	13				280	<i>650</i>	.431	72	220	.327	119	190	.626	123	292	415	31.9	227	6	185	223	62	91	751	57.8
	Conference-Only	5				106	242	.438	23	76	.303	23	46	.500	40	104	144	28.8	86	3	63	89	24	37	258	51.6
	Opponents	13				256	652	.393	68	186	.366	173	241	.718	138	285	423	32.5	212	2	153	215	33	107	753	57.9
	Conference-Only	5				105	228	.461	28	66	.424	68	96	.708	33	110	143	28.6	68	0	68	74	8	52	306	61.2

 SCORE BY PERIODS:
 1st
 2nd
 OT
 Total

 Illinois State
 337
 405
 9
 751

 Opponents
 332
 402
 19
 753

DEADBALL REBOUNDS:OFFDEFTOTALIllinois State26127Opponents34640



2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

		HIGHS		LOWS
POINTS	69	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	46	at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
FIELD GOALS MADE	27	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	18	twice
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	65	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	40	vs. Wichita State (01-08-06)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.500 (24-48)	vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)	.386 (22-57)	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
	.500 (21-42)	vs. Creighton (12-31-05)		
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	12	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	2	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	27	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	11	twice
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.571 (8-14)	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	.143 (2-14)	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
FREE THROWS MADE	20	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	1	twice
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	28	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	2	twice
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.773 (17-22)	vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)	.400 (4-10)	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
REBOUNDS	37	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	25	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
	37	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)		
ASSISTS	19	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	8	at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
	19	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)		
STEALS	11	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	1	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
BLOCKED SHOTS	8	vs. Wichita State (01-08-06)	2	twice
TURNOVERS	26	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	12	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
			12	vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)
FOULS	31	at Indiana State (12-22-05)	10	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)

2005-06 OPPONENT TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

		HIGHS		LOWS
POINTS	76	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	36	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FIELD GOALS MADE	26	at Creighton (01-05-06)	14	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	62	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	42	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.605 (26-43)	at Creighton (01-05-06)	.290 (18-62)	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	9	at Creighton (01-05-06)	2	at Indiana State (12-22-05)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	20	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	9	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.643 (9-14)	at Creighton (01-05-06)	.167 (2-12)	at Indiana State (12-22-05)
FREE THROWS MADE	33	at Indiana State (12-22-05)	2	twice
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	43	at Indiana State (12-22-05)	7	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	1.000 (12-12)	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)	.222 (2-9)	vs. Creighton (12-31-05)
REBOUNDS	42	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	24	at Creighton (01-05-06)
ASSISTS	19	at Creighton (01-05-06)	8	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
STEALS	13	at Creighton (01-05-06)	4	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05
			4	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
BLOCKED SHOTS	7	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	0	twice
TURNOVERS	27	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	9	at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
FOULS	24	vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	8	at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
			8	at Creighton (01-05-06)

2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE & OPPONENT PLAYER SUPERLATIVES

		ILLINOIS STATE		OPPONENT
POINTS	າາ	DILLIGARD, Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	27	EFEVBERHA, Mike at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
FIELD GOALS MADE		DILLIGARD, Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	27	NESBITT, Elton vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)
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FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	18	DILLIGARD, Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	18	RUSH,Brion vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
FG PCT (min. 5 made)	.727 (8-11)	DILLIGARD, Greg vs Grambling State (11-29-05)	.700 (7-10)	TOLLIVER, Anthony vs. Creighton (12-31-05)
	.727 (8-11)	DILLIGARD, Greg at Cincinnati (11-22-05)	.700 (7-10)	STOUT, Grant at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
3 PT FG MADE	3	VIANNEY, Eric vs IPFW (12-06-05)	3	Six times, last by FUNK, Nate vs. Creighton (12-31-05)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	8	PLANK, Neil vs Western Michigan (11-26-05)	8	TILLEMA, Ryan vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
			8	RATLIFF, Andre vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)
3-PT FG PCT (min. 3 made)	1.000 (3-3)	VIANNEY, Eric vs IPFW (12-06-05)	1.000 (3-3)	ALLEN,Ronald at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
FREE THROWS MADE	7	PLANK, Neil vs UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	11	EFEVBERHA, Mike at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
			11	MOSS, David at Indiana State (12-22-05)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	11	PLANK, Neil vs UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)	15	EFEVBERHA, Mike at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
FT PCT (min. 6 att.)	.833 (5-6)	FORD, Khalif vs. Georgia Southern (12-10-05)	1.000 (10-10)	MOORE, Gabriel at Indiana State (12-22-05)
REBOUNDS	12	DILLIGARD, Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	12	SHEWMAKE, Thomas at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
ASSISTS	7	PLANK, Neil vs IPFW (12-06-05)	7	SMITH,Tim vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
	7	PLANK, Neil at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)	7	MOSS, David at Indiana State (12-22-05)
STEALS	5	PLANK, Neil at Creighton (01-05-06)	4	seven times
BLOCKED SHOTS	4	DILLIGARD, Greg vs. Wichita State (01-08-06)	3	HICKS, Eric at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
		-	3	SHEWMAKE, Thomas at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
			3	TOLLIVER, Anthony vs. Creighton (12-31-05)





Northern Iowa*

Evansville*

at S. Illinois*

S. Illinois*

at Drake*

Bradley*

at Bracket Buster

Missouri State*

at Wichita State*

at Missouri State* Northern Iowa* Evansville* at S. Illinois* Indiana State* S. Illinois* at Bradley* at Evansville* at Drake* Bradley' Drake* at Bracket Buster Missouri State* at Wichita State*

Drake*

at Bradley* at Evansville*

Indiana State*

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

Opponent	Carlwell	Dilligard	Dyer	D. Ford	K. Ford	Fortes	Holtz
Indianapolis	0-3-0	4-4-1*	6-2-2*	7-5-2*	4-5-5*	0-0-0	6-1-0
at Cincinnati	0-0-0	16-5-1*	9-1-0	12-6-3*	3-1-2*	3-0-0	0-1-0
Western Michigan	2-4-0	7-5-1*	5-3-0	6-4-3*	11-4-3*	DNP	2-2-0
Grambling St.	0-1-0	18-9-2*	4-1-0	16-7-2*	4-2-5*	0-0-1	2-3-0
UW-Green Bay	2-3-0	13-7-1*	2-0-0	2-5-2*	5-1-3*	DNP	2-1-0
IPFW	3-2-2	8-7-0*	0-0-0	4-3-3*	8-2-3*	0-0-2	2-1-0
Ga. Southern	2-5-1	6-3-0*	2-0-0	10-4-0*	5-1-1*	DNP	3-0-0
at Cal StNorthridge	0-2-0	8-2-1*	2-1-0	15-4-3*	8-2-3*	DNP	11-2-2
at Indiana State*	0-2-0	22-12-3*	0-0-0	2-6-1*	4-2-4	DNP	9-1-0
Creighton*	0-1-0	11-3-3*	DNP	14-2-2*	0-0-1	0-0-0	3-3-1
at Northern Iowa*	0-2-0*	12-3-3*	5-3-0	7-4-1*	3-0-1	3-0-0	6-4-0
at Creighton*	2-1-0	11-5-1*	0-0-0	0-3-1*	2-3-2	5-2-0	0-0-0
Wichita State*	0-4-1*	14-3-0*	0-1-0	16-7-0*	4-1-2	0-0-0	0-1-3
at Missouri State*							

Opponent	Kruse	Odiakosa	Onyeuku	Plank	Vandello	Vianney	Wallace
Indianapolis	DNP	DNP	9-2-1	12-2-3*	6-4-1	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Cincinnati	2-2-0	1-2-0	0-4-1	8-2-6*	3-1-2*	2-1-1	DNP
Western Michigan	DNP	0-0-0	6-1-3	16-5-1*	9-7-0*	DNP	DNP
Grambling St.	DNP	0-0-0	7-5-1	11-4-4*	0-3-1*	DNP	0-0-1
UW-Green Bay	5-0-0	DNP	11-3-0	13-5-4*	4-4-5*	DNP	DNP
IPFW	5-2-0	2-1-0	4-5-0	10-5-7*	8-3-2*	9-3-0	2-0-0
Ga. Southern	0-1-0	0-1-0	14-2-1	12-7-4*	7-4-3*	0-0-0	DNP
at Cal StNorthridge	DNP	1-1-0	14-0-2	10-7-7*	0-3-1*	DNP	0-0-0
at Indiana State*	DNP	3-2-1*	8-4-3*	2-1-2*	9-2-0	0-0-0	0-1-1
Creighton*	DNP	0-2-0*	6-0-1*	17-6-3*	2-5-3	DNP	0-0-0
at Northern Iowa*	0-0-0	DNP	3-1-2*	2-5-1*	4-4-0	2-0-0	0-0-0
at Creighton*	DNP	DNP	17-4-1*	8-4-6*	7-2-3*	0-0-0	DNP
Wichita State*	DNP	DNP	7-3-3*	0-1-3*	6-3-0	DNP	DNP

SUPERLATIVES

STARTING LINEUPS - F, F, C, G, G (5):

- Plank, Dilligard, Dyer, K. Ford, D. Ford (1-0)
- W Indianapolis
- Plank, Dilligard, Vandello, K. Ford, D. Ford (4-3) W – Western Michigan, Grambling State, UW-Green Bay, IPFW L – at Cincinnati, Georgia Southern, at Cal State-Northridge
- Odiakosa, Dilligard, Onyeuku, Plank, D. Ford (1-1) W - Creighton
 - L at Indiana State
- Dilligard, Carlwell, Onyeuku, Plank, D. Ford (0-2) L at Northern Iowa, Wichita State
- Vandello, Dilligard, Onyeuku, Plank, D. Ford (0-1) L - at Creighton

FIRST POINTS:

Dilligard 6, Onyeuku 2, Plank 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Vandello

DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORERS (28):

Plank 8, Dilligard 8, D. Ford 6, Onyeuku 4, K. Ford 1, Holtz 1

DOUBLE-DIGIT REBOUNDING (1):

Dilligard 1

LEADING SCORER:

Plank 5, Dilligard 5, Onyeuku 2, D. Ford 2

LEADING REBOUNDER:

Dilligard 5, Plank 4, D. Ford 3, K. Ford 1, Vandello 1

DOUBLE-DOUBLES (1):

Dilligard 1

DUNKS (16):

Dilligard 11, Onyeuku 4, Fortes 1

FIRST SUBSTITUTION:

Carlwell 7, Onyeuku 2, Holtz 2, Vandello 2

CHARGES DRAWN (8):

Dilligard 4, Carlwell 1, Holtz 1, Plank 1, Odiakosa 1

MOST MINUTES:

- 38, D. Ford vs. Wichita State, 1-8-06
- 38, Plank vs. Creighton, 12-31-05
- 37, Plank at Creighton, 1-5-06 37, D. Ford vs. Grambling State, 11-29-05 36, Dilligard vs. Creighton, 12-31-05 36, Dilligard at Indiana State, 12-22-05
- 36, Dilligard vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05
- 36, Plank vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

2005-06 Honors and Awards

Prairie Farms Scholar-Athlete of the Week

Dec. 7 Neil Plank

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RENCH SCORING (ISIL-OPP)

BENCH SCURING (13	U-UPP)
Indianapolis	21-11
at Cincinnati	17-36
Western Michigan	15-7
Grambling St	13-10
UW-Green Bay	22-5
IPFW	27-9
Ga. Southern	21-15
at Cal StNorthridge	28-36
at Indiana State*	22-2
Creighton*	
at Northern Iowa*	23-5
at Creighton*	9-13
Wichita State*	10-14
at Missouri State*	
Northern Iowa*	
Evansville*	
at S. Illinois*	
Indiana State*	
S. Illinois*	
at Bradley*	
at Evansville*	
at Drake*	
Bradley*	
Drake*	
at Bracket Buster	
Missouri State*	
at Wichita State*	
Total	233-18

2005-06 VALLEY RANKINGS

Through Jan. 10 (All Games)

THOUGHTSU	ii. io pin Gaine	-3/
TEAM		
Scoring Offense	10th	57.8
Scoring Defense	3rd	57.9
Scoring Margin	9th	0.2
Free Throw Pct	10th	62.6
Field Goal Pct	6th	43.1
FG Pct. Defense	1st	39.3
3-Point FG Pct	8th	32.7
3-Point FG Pct. Def	8th	36.6
Rebounding Offense	10th	31.9
Rebounding Defense	4th	32.5
Rebounding Margin	7th	0.6
Blocked Shots		
Assists	8th	14.23
Steals	6th	7.00
Turnover Margin	9th	0.62
Assist/Turnover Ratio	9th	0.83
Offensive Rebounds	8th	9.46
Defensive Rebounds	8th	22.46
3-Point Field Goals Made	8th	5.54

FI	ELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	
Greg Dilligard	1st	62.2
	ASSISTS	
Neil Plank	5th	3.92
	STEALS	
Dana Ford	t3rd	2.15
	BLOCKED SHOTS	
Greg Dilligard	t2nd	2.15
Ronnie Carlwell	8th	0.92
I	DEFENSIVE REBOUNDS	
Dana Ford	10th	4.15

THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

THE LAST THINE IT HAPPENED	
INDIVIDUAL	TEAM
A player scored 40 points	A team scored 100 points
ILLINOIS STTarise Bryson (41) at C. Michigan, 12-3-00	ILLINOIS STvs. Southern Illinois (105), 1-10-98
OpponentAnthony Roberts (48), Oral Roberts, 1-6-75	OpponentOklahoma (112), 12-28-90
A player scored 30 points	A team made 35 field goals
ILLINOIS STTrey Guidry (30) at Creighton, 1-22-05	ILLINOIS STvs. Bellarmine (35-71), 12-2-03
OpponentJermaine Boyette (31), Weber St., 11-16-01	OpponentUT-San Antonio (35-65), 12-17-00
A player grabbed 20 rebounds	A team had 75 field goal attempts
ILLINOIS STRon deVries (24) vs. Pacific, 1-19-74	ILLINOIS STvs. Lewis (31-78), 12-2-92
OpponentAnthony Bonner (21), Saint Louis, 2-6-90	OpponentAkron (27-80), 11-20-98
A player grabbed 15 rebounds	A team shot 50 percent from the field
ILLINOIS STBaboucarr Bojang (15) vs. UNI, 1-30-02	ILLINOIS STvs. Creighton (.500, 21-42), 12-31-05
	OpponentCreighton (.605, 26-43), 1-5-06
OpponentGrant Stout (15), UNI, 1-3-05	OpponentCreignion (.605, 26-43), 1-5-06
A player had a double-double	A team made 10 3-point field goals
ILLINOIS STGreg Dilligard (22p, 12r) at Indiana State, 12-22-05	ILLINOIS STat Cal State Northridge (12-29), 12-7-05
Opponent	OpponentWichita State (10-20), 2-10-05
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A player made five 3-pointers	A team had 25 3-point field goal attempts
ILLINOIS STGregg Alexander (5-6) at UW-Green Bay, 2-19-05	ILLINOIS STat Cal State Northridge (12-29), 12-7-05
OpponentEric Gray (6-8), Indiana State, 1-19-05	OpponentCreighton (13-28), 1-22-05
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A player made 10 free throws	A team shot 50 percent on 3-pointers
ILLINOIS STLorenzo Gordon (10-14) vs. St. John's, 12-4-04	ILLINOIS STvs. IPFW (.571, 8-14), 12-6-05
OpponentGabriel Moore (10-10), Indiana State, 12-22-05	OpponentCreighton (.643, 9-14), 1-5-06
David Moss (11-13), Indiana State, 12-22-05	
	A team made 30 free throws
A player had 15 free throw attempts	ILLINOIS STvs. Florida A&M (38-48), 11-23-03
ILLINOIS STTarise Bryson (12-15) at Purdue, 3-14-01	OpponentIndiana State (33-43), 12-22-05
OpponentMike Efevberha (11-15), CS-Northridge, 12-7-05	
	A team had 25 assists
A player had 10 assists	ILLINOIS STvs. Hofstra (25), 11-25-01
ILLINOIS ST	OpponentEvansville (26), 2-11-04
OpponentMartell Bailey (12), Illinois-Chicago, 12-13-03	A team had 15 steals
A player had five steals	ILLINOIS STvs. Bellarmine (16), 12-2-03
ILLINOIS STNeil Plank (5) at Creighton, 1-5-06	OpponentCreighton (18), 12-12-99
OpponentDeven Mitchell (6), Missouri State 2-26-05	Spponone minimum or orginori (10), 12 12 77
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ILLINOIS ST.Greg Dilligard (7) at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04

OpponentBradley Strickland (5), Evansville, 1-9-05

A player blocked five shots ...

Overall	
Missouri Valley Conference	
Playing Nationally Ranked Teams	
Leading at the Half	
Trailing at the Half	
Tied at the Half	
Leading with 5:00 to Play	
Trailing with 5:00 to Play	
Tied with 5:00 to Play	
In Overtime	0-0
ISU out-rebounds opponent	
Opponents out-rebound ISU	2-4
ISU has 15 or fewer Turnovers	3-1
ISU has fewer Turnovers than opp	4-2
ISU shoots 50 Percent or Better	2-0
ISU shoots 40 Percent or Better	4-6
Opponents shoot less than 40 Percent	4-1
Opponents shoot 40 Percent or Better	2-6
ISU shoots better than Opponent	6-2
Opponent shoots better than ISU	0-5
ISU has more FG Attempts	2-4
Opponent has more FG Attempts	4-3
ISU Shoots better than 35 Percent on 3's	3-3
ISU Attempts more 3's	2-6
Opponents Attempt more 3's	4-1
ISU has more FT Attempts	5-2
Opponent has more FT Attempts	1-5
ISU Scores 100 or More	
ISU Scores 90 or More	
ISU Scores 80 or More	
ISU Scores 70 or More	0-0

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ISU Scores 60 or More
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Opponent Scores 90 or More 0-0
Opponent Scores 80 or More0-0
Opponent Scores 70 or More0-3
Opponent Scores 60 or More0-6
Opponent Scores less than 60 6-1
In Games Decided by 5 or less2-2
In Games Decided by 6-10 Points1-2
In Games Decided by 11-20 Points2-3
In Games Decided by 21+ Points1-0
Day Games4-1
Night Games2-6
Home Court6-2
Away Games 0-5
Neutral Games 0-0
When ISU Scores First
When ISU Wins Tip3-2
In November3-1
In December 3-3
In January0-3
In February0-0
In March0-0
On Sunday0-1
On Monday0-1
On Tuesday2-1
On Wednesday0-0
On Thursday0-2
On Friday0-0
On Saturday4-2

A team had 10 blocked shots ...

ILLINOIS ST.vs. Evansville (10), 1-17-79

OpponentNorthern Illinois (11), 11-26-03



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Indianapolis at ILLINOIS STATE	Final 50 54	FG 17-55 22-57	FG% 30.9 38.6	4-16 6-19	25.0 31.6	FT 12-12 4-10	100.0 40.0	15-26-41 14-23-37	Fouls 16 10	Assists 8 15	Turnovers 15 12	Blocks 1 6	Steals 4 9	Halftime 21 30
ILLINOIS STATE at Cincinnati	59 76	20-51 25-61	39.2 41.0	9-22 8-20	40.9 40.0	10-14 18-26	71.4 69.2	11-22-33 16-18-34	25 17	16 15	26 13	2 7	1 12	34 43
Western Michigan at ILLINOIS STATE	47 64	16-51 21-50	31.4 42.0	3-13 5-20	23.1 25.0	12-19 17-22	63.2 77.3	15-20-35 11-25-36	21 17	9 11	17 12	4 7	5 7	20 34
Grambling State at ILLINOIS STATE	50 62	21-57 24-48	36.8 50.0	3-15 4-11	20.0 36.4	5-12 10-18	41.7 55.6	12-19-31 8-28-36	18 15	9 17	19 21	0 4	11 6	16 26
UW-Green Bay at ILLINOIS STATE	51 59	18-62 18-42	29.0 42.9	6-17 3-15	35.3 20.0	9-12 20-27	75.0 74.1	16-23-39 5-29-34	20 14	9 15	11 13	2 6	4 6	20 26
IPFW at ILLINOIS STATE	36 65	14-45 22-46	31.1 47.8	6-17 8-14	35.3 57.1	2-7 13-19	28.6 68.4	7-18-25 11-26-37	17 17	9 19	20 16	2 4	6 11	13 30
Georgia Southern at ILLINOIS STATE	64 61	21-51 20-49	41.2 40.8	6-13 2-14	46.2 14.3	16-18 19-28	88.9 67.9	10-23-33 12-21-33	24 16	14 10	19 17	4 6	7 5	31 20
ILLINOIS STATE at Cal StNorthridge	69 73	27-65 19-42	41.5 45.2	12-29 4-9	41.4 44.4	3-6 31-39	50.0 79.5	11-14-25 14-28-42	27 11	19 12	17 27	3 5	9 6	30 30
ILLINOIS STATE at Indiana State*	59 69	24-58 17-47	41.4 36.2	3-15 2-12	20.0 16.7	8-17 33-43	47.1 76.7	9-27-36 8-30-38	31 19	15 11	16 13	5 1	5 5	22 28
Creighton* at ILLINOIS STATE	50 53	20-43 21-42	46.5 50.0	8-14 5-11	57.1 45.5	2-9 6-11	22.2 54.5	5-20-25 4-22.26	15 12	15 14	19 16	3 6	11 8	28 23
ILLINOIS STATE at Northern Iowa*	47 60	20-48 22-46	41.7 47.8	6-17 3-12	35.3 25.0	1-2 13-19	50.0 68.4	8-19-27 8-19-27	16 8	8 12	15 9	2 2	6 11	16 29
ILLINOIS STATE at Creighton*	52 71	23-54 26-43	42.6 60.5	5- 20 9-14	25.0 64.3	1-2 10-13	50.0 76.9	12-15-27 4-20-24	13 8	14 19	21 19	3 0	10 13	25 27
Wichita State* at ILLINOIS STATE	56 47	20-49 18-40	40.8 45.0	6-14 4-13	42.9 30.8	10-12 7-14	83.3 50.0	8-21-29 7-21-28	18 14	11 12	14 21	2 8	12 8	26 21
ILLINOIS STATE at Missouri State*														
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Last Time Out: Earned his second career start, but was held scoreless after playing 16 minutes.

C • 6-11 • 258 • So.-1L • Maywood, III. (Proviso East)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 8 vs. Bradley, 2-5-05 Rebounds - 6 at Marquette, 11-15-04 Assists - 2, twice Blocked Shots - 3, twice Steals - 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Minutes - 24 at Marquette, 11-15-04

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 3 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Rebounds - 5 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05

Assists - 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Blocked Shots - 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

Steals - 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05

Minutes – 17 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Matched his career best with three blocked shots against Western
- Both of his baskets in the 60-49 exhibition win over Augustana (S.D.) were dunks.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	12	0-3	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	0	0	1	0	0
at Cincinnati	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Western Michigan	17	0-0	0-0	2-2	2-4	2	0	0	3	0	2
Grambling State	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	3	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-3	1	0	0	1	0	2
IPFW	10	0-0	0-0	3-4	1-2	3	2	0	1	2	3
Georgia Southern	15	1-2	0-0	0-0	2-5	0	1	1	2	0	2
at Cal StNorthridge	10	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	2	0	1	0	0	0
at Indiana State*	11	0-1	0-0	0-2	1-2	1	0	2	1	0	0
Creighton*	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	2	1	0	0
at Northern Iowa*	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	1	0	1	0	0	0
at Creighton*	5	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Wichita State*	16	0-2	0-0	0-1	1-4	0	1	0	2	0	0

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at Bradley*

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at Drake*

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Last Time Out: Scored double digits for the fifth straight game with 14 points in 32 minutes. Also added four blocks.

F • 6-8 • 230 • Jr.-2L • Labelle, Mo. (Highland

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 22 at Indiana State, 12-22-05 Rebounds - 12 at Indiana State, 12-22-05 Assists - 4 vs. Missouri State, 12-30-04 Blocked Shots - 7 at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04 Steals - 3, five times Minutes - 36, twice

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 22 at Indiana State, 12-22-05 Rebounds - 12 at Indiana State, 12-22-05 Assists - 3, twice Blocked Shots - 4 vs. Wichita State, 1-8-06 Steals - 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Minutes - 36, twice

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- · Notched his second career double-double, while posting his first career 20-point game when he recorded career bests with 22 points and 12 rebounds at Indiana State.
- Stands in fifth place in the Redbirds all-time career blocked shot standings with 90.
- Has made 9 of his last 15 free throw attempts (.600), after making 6 of his previous 35 tries (.171).
- Owns 14 double digit scoring games in his career, including five straight.
- One of the top defensive players in the Missouri Valley Conference.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	25	2-3	0-0	0-3	0-4	0	1	1	2	0	4
at Cincinnati	30	8-11	0-0	0-1	2-5	3	1	2	1	0	16
Western Michigan	23	3-4	0-0	1-2	2-5	3	1	0	2	3	7
Grambling State	34	8-11	0-0	2-6	3-9	3	2	2	3	0	18
UW-Green Bay	36	5-9	0-0	3-4	4-7	2	1	1	3	2	13
IPFW	30	3-8	0-0	2-3	3-7	2	0	4	2	2	8
Georgia Southern	27	3-5	0-0	0-0	1-3	3	0	0	2	0	6
at Cal StNorthridge	16	4-5	0-0	0-0	2-2	5	1	1	2	0	8
at Indiana State*	36	11-18	0-0	0-1	3-12	5	3	3	3	0	22
Creighton*	36	5-10	0-0	1-2	1-3	3	3	1	1	1	11
at Northern Iowa*	31	6-11	0-0	0-0	2-3	3	3	2	1	2	12
at Creighton*	33	5-7	0-0	1-2	3-5	1	1	2	2	0	11
Wichita State*	32	6-9	0-0	2-3	2-3	3	0	2	4	1	14

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Evansville³

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at Bradley

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Missouri State' at Wichita State*

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Last Time Out: Played 6 minutes and posted a blocked shot and a rebound, while going 0-for-2 from the field.

C • 6-10 • 220 • So.-1L • Eaton, Colo. (Eaton)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 9 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05

Rebounds – 3, twice

Assists - 2 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

Blocked Shots - 1, twice

Steals - 2, twice

Minutes - 20 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 9 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05

Rebounds – 3, twice

Assists - 2 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

Blocked Shots - 1, twice

Steals - 1 at Creighton, 1-5-06 Minutes - 20 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Increased his vertical jump by five inches during the off-season.
- A strong outside shooter, but has been a detriment defensively.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3⊦G-A	FI-A	O-R	PΕ	Α	10	BLK	S	IΡ
Indianapolis	20	2-10	2-5	0-0	0-2	2	2	0	1	0	6
at Cincinnati	15	3-5	3-5	0-0	0-1	2	0	1	0	0	9
Western Michigan	14	1-3	1-2	2-2	1-3	3	0	0	0	0	5
Grambling State	7	0-1	0-1	4-4	0-1	1	0	1	0	0	4
UW-Green Bay	4	0-1	0-1	2-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2
IPFW	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia Southern	3	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	2
at Cal StNorthridge	9	0-1	0-1	2-2	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Indiana State*	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Creighton*				Did	not play	- coa	ch's deci	ision			
at Northern Iowa*	13	2-4	1-2	0-0	2-3	1	0	0	0	0	5
at Creighton*	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Wichita State*	6	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	1	0	0
at Missouri State*											

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Northern Iowa Evansville³

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Last Time Out: Equalled his career best with 16 points and added seven rebounds and four steals in 38 minutes.

G • 6-4 • 195 • Sr.-3L • Tamms, III. (Egyptian)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 16, twice Rebounds - 8 at Southern Illinois, 1-4-03 Assists - 3, eight times Blocked Shots - 2, four times Steals - 4, three times

Minutes - 38 vs. Wichita State, 1-8-06

SEASON BESTS:

Points - 16, twice Rebounds - 7, twice Assists - 3, four times Blocked Shots - 2, twice Steals - 4, three times Minutes - 38 vs. Wichita State, 1-8-06

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Tied his career high with 16 points against Wichita State, while also matching his season best in rebounds (7) and steals (4).
- Sank a 40-footer at the buzzer to give the Redbirds a 53-50 win at home over Creighton on Dec. 31.
- The longest tenured Redbird on the roster.
- · After going 76 career games without breaking double digits in points, has posted seven double-figure scoring games in his last 14.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	IVI	FG-A	3FG-A	FI-A	U-R	PΕ	А	10	RFK	5	IΡ	
Indianapolis	24	3-10	1-4	0-1	2-5	1	2	0	1	3	7	
at Cincinnati	30	3-8	2-3	4-4	1-6	1	3	2	0	1	12	
Western Michigan	30	3-11	0-3	0-0	1-4	5	3	1	0	4	6	
Grambling State	37	7-13	2-4	0-0	0-7	1	2	2	0	2	16	
UW-Green Bay	20	1-4	0-3	0-0	0-5	3	2	2	2	1	2	
IPFW	23	1-3	1-2	1-2	0-3	3	3	1	0	2	4	
Georgia Southern	19	4-9	1-4	1-2	0-4	3	0	3	0	0	10	
at Cal StNorthridge	28	6-13	3-7	0-0	1-4	4	3	3	1	3	15	
at Indiana State*	32	1-7	0-4	0-0	1-6	3	1	2	1	2	2	
Creighton*	32	6-9	2-4	0-0	0-2	0	2	2	2	4	14	
at Northern Iowa*	27	3-9	1-4	0-0	0-4	1	1	0	0	1	7	
at Creighton*	21	0-3	0-1	0-0	0-3	1	1	3	0	1	0	
Wichita State*	38	7-12	2-6	0-2	0-7	2	0	6	0	4	16	
at Miccouri Stato*												

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Last Time Out: Played 22 minutes and finished with four points, but had six turnovers and two assists.

Khalif Ford

G • 6-1 • 181 • So.-1L • Diamond Bar, Calif. (Diamond Bar)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 11 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

Rebounds – 5, twice

Assists - 6 vs. Indiana State, 1-6-05

Blocked Shots – 1, twice Steals – 2, three times

Minutes - 34 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 11 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Rebounds – 5 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

Assists – 5, twice

Blocked Shots - 1, twice

Steals - 2 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05

Minutes – 34 vs. Indianapolis, 11-19-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Posted his first career double-digit scoring game with 11 points against Western Michigan.
- During the exhibition season, showed some offensive potential with 15 points in the first half of the Red-White Scrimmage on 5-for-6 shooting. Also added 11 points against Augustana (S.D.) in the exhibition game.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	34	2-6	0-2	0-0	1-5	2	5	2	0	1	4
at Cincinnati	27	1-5	1-3	0-0	1-1	4	2	6	1	0	3
Western Michigan	27	3-7	0-0	5-8	1-4	0	3	3	0	0	11
Grambling State	27	2-6	0-1	0-0	0-2	3	5	3	1	1	4
UW-Green Bay	32	1-4	0-1	3-4	0-1	3	3	5	0	1	5
IPFW	17	2-4	2-3	2-4	0-2	3	3	4	0	1	8
Georgia Southern	28	0-2	0-1	5-6	0-1	3	1	5	0	2	5
at Cal StNorthridge	24	3-7	2-3	0-0	0-2	5	3	5	0	0	8
at Indiana State*	26	1-5	0-1	2-2	1-2	4	4	1	0	0	4
Creighton*	7	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	0	0	0
at Northern Iowa*	12	1-2	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0	0	3
at Creighton*	24	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-3	5	2	1	0	0	2
Wichita State*	22	2-3	0-1	0-2	0-1	2	2	6	0	1	4

at Missouri State* Northern Iowa*

Evansville* at Southern Illinois*

at Southern Illinois

Indiana State* Southern Illinois*

at Bradley*

at Evansville

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Missouri State*

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Last Time Out: Only logged one minute in the first half and never recorded a stat.

Roberto Fortes

G • 6-4 • 195 • Jr.-TR • Fort Wayne, Ind. (North Side)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 5 at Creighton, 1-5-06 Rebounds – 2 at Creighton, 1-5-06 Assists – 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05

Blocked Shots - 0

Steals – 1 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05 Minutes – 12 at Creighton, 1-5-06

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Played a season-best 12 minutes at Creighton and finished with a career best five points.
- One of Illinois State's four African born players. Born in Angola before moving to the United States as a youth.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cincinnati	10	1-3	1-2	0-0	0-0	3	0	1	0	0	3
Western Michigan				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
Grambling State	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
IPFW	3	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Georgia Southern				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
at Cal StNorthridge				Did	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
at Indiana State*				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
Creighton*	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	1	0
at Northern Iowa*	7	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	3
at Creighton*	12	2-6	1-4	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Wichita State*	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Missouri State*											
Northern Iowa*											

Northern Iowa*
Evansville*

at Southern Illinois* Indiana State*

Southern Illinois* at Bradley*

at Evansville*

at Drake* Bradley*

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Missouri State* at Wichita State*

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Last Time Out: Played 13 minutes, but was held scoreless for the second straight game.

G • 6-4 • 185 • Fr.-HS • Bloomington, III. (Bloomington)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 11 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05 Rebounds - 4 at Northern Iowa, 1-2-06 Assists - 3 vs. Wichita State, 1-8-06 Blocked Shots - 1 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05 Steals - 2 at Cal State Northridge, 12-7-05 Minutes - 23, twice

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Suffered a bone bruise on his right knee in practice the day before the game at Creighton, but it didn't keep him off the floor.
- After opening the season 0-for-8 from beyond the arc has made eight of his last 17 attempts (.471).
- · Won the team's three-point shooting contest at the Redbird Hoopfest, which kicked off the 2005-06 season.
- · Has lost 20 pounds since reporting to the team.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	8	3-5	0-2	0-2	0-1	0	0	0	0	1	6
at Cincinnati	6	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Western Michigan	14	1-5	0-4	0-0	1-2	0	0	2	0	0	2
Grambling State	12	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-3	0	0	1	0	1	2
UW-Green Bay	3	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	0	0	0	0	2
IPFW	5	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Georgia Southern	7	1-1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	3
at Cal StNorthridge	23	4-10	3-7	0-0	1-2	4	2	1	0	2	11
at Indiana State*	20	4-6	1-2	0-0	0-1	2	0	0	0	0	9
Creighton*	17	1-3	1-2	0-0	0-3	0	1	0	1	1	3
at Northern Iowa*	23	2-4	2-3	0-0	1-4	0	0	0	0	1	6
at Creighton*	5	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Wichita State*	13	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	3	0	0	1	0

at Missouri State* Northern Iowa*

Evansville³

at Southern Illinois*

Indiana State*

Southern Illinois* at Bradley

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at Drake* Bradley

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G/F • 6-7 • 205 • Jr.-TR • St. Cloud, Minn. (Apollo)

CAREER BESTS:

Points - 5, twice Rebounds - 2, twice Assists - 0 Blocked Shots - 0 Steals - 0 Minutes - 12 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

at Southern Illinois* Indiana State

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at Bradley

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- · Held scoreless against Georgia Southern after scoring a combined 10 points in the previous two games.
- The leading scorer at the 2005 National Junior College Basketball Tournament.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis				Did r	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
at Cincinnati	1	1-4	0-2	0-0	2-2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Western Michigan				Did r	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
Grambling State				Did r	not play	- illnes	SS				
UW-Green Bay	12	2-7	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	5
IPFW	9	2-6	1-3	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Georgia Southern	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cal StNorthridge				Did r	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
at Indiana State*				Did r	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
Creighton*				Did r	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
at Northern Iowa*	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Creighton*				Did r	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
Wichita State*				Did r	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
at Missouri State*											
Northern Iowa*											
Evansville*											





Dinma Odiakosa F · 6-8 · 240 · Fr.-HS · Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 3 at Indiana State, 12-22-05

Rebounds – 2, twice

Assists – 1 at Indiana State, 12-22-05 Blocked Shots – 1 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05

Steals - 1, twice

Minutes - 20 at Indiana State, 12-22-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Has missed the last three games after spraining his right ankle in the Creighton game at Redbird Arena.
- Earned his first collegiate start at Indiana State.
- Spent the summer as a member of the Nigerian U21 National Team, which competed in the World Championships in Mar Del Plata, Argentina.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis				Did i	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
at Cincinnati	5	0-2	0-0	1-2	0-2	0	0	1	0	0	1
Western Michigan	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grambling State	3	0-0	0-0	0-2	0-0	2	0	1	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay				Did i	not play	- coac	h's dec	ision			
IPFW	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	1	0	0	2
Georgia Southern	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cal StNorthridge	12	0-3	0-0	1-2	1-1	1	0	0	0	1	1
at Indiana State*	20	1-4	0-0	1-2	1-2	3	1	1	0	1	3
Creighton*	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	3	0	0	1	0	0
at Northern Iowa*				Did	not play	- injury	/				
at Creighton*				Did i	not play	- injury	/				
Wichita State*				Did i	not play	- injury	/				
at Missouri State*											
Northern Iowa*											
Evansville*											
at Southern Illinois*											

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Last Time Out: Tossed in seven points in 29 minutes of action, while adding three assists, a block and a steal.

Nedu Onyeuku G • 6-3 • 185 • Sr.-1L • Omāna, Neb. (Creighton Prep)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 17 at Creighton, 1-5-06 Rebounds – 5, four times Assists – 4 vs. St. John's, 12-4-04 Blocked Shots – 2 vs. Southern Illinois, 2-16-05 Steals – 2, five times Minutes – 34 at Creighton, 1-5-06

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 17 at Creighton, 1-5-06 Rebounds – 5, twice Assists – 3, twice Blocked Shots – 1, three times Steals – 2, three times Minutes – 34 at Creighton, 1-5-06

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Scored a career-high 17 points in front of his hometown crowd at Creighton on Jan. 5.
- Has started the last five games, after serving as a reserve for the first eight.
- Crowned the team's slam dunk champion at Redbird HoopFest, an event that kicked off the first day of practice.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	17	4-6	1-1	0-0	0-2	2	1	2	0	0	9
at Cincinnati	17	0-1	0-1	0-2	1-4	2	1	3	0	0	0
Western Michigan	19	2-3	0-1	2-2	0-1	0	3	1	0	0	6
Grambling State	23	3-5	0-0	1-2	3-5	3	1	3	0	1	7
UW-Green Bay	23	3-4	2-3	3-4	0-3	1	0	4	0	1	11
IPFW	25	2-4	0-1	0-0	1-5	1	0	2	1	1	4
Georgia Southern	26	5-9	0-2	4-7	0-2	3	1	3	1	2	14
at Cal StNorthridge	23	6-12	2-5	0-2	0-0	2	2	1	0	1	14
at Indiana State*	25	3-8	1-3	1-2	0-4	5	3	1	0	2	8
Creighton*	19	1-3	1-2	3-4	0-0	2	1	3	0	1	6
at Northern Iowa*	18	1-2	0-0	1-2	1-1	0	2	3	1	0	3
at Creighton*	34	8-15	1-4	0-0	1-4	2	1	4	0	2	17
Wichita State*	29	2-4	2-3	1-2	1-3	2	3	1	1	1	7

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Evansville* at Southern Illinois*
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Last Time Out: Held scoreless for the first time this season on 0-for-6 shooting. Finished with

Neil Plank

G/F • 6-5 • 208 • Sr.-2L • Mt. Zion, III. (Mt. Zion)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 21, twice

Rebounds - 11 vs. Southern Illinois, 1-21-04

Assists - 7, twice

Blocked Shots - 1, seven times

Steals - 5, twice

Minutes - 41 vs. Western Kentucky, 12-16-03

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 17 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05 Rebounds – 7, twice Assists – 7, twice Blocked Shots – 1, twice Steals – 5 at Creighton, 1-5-06

Minutes - 38 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

3 assists and 4 turnovers.

- In his last three games, is shooting 4-for-25 (.160) from the field.
- He has registered double figure points in eight games this season.
- Dished out a career high seven assists against IPFW and again at Cal State Northridge
- Continues to play four positions for the Redbirds, including spotting relief at the point guard position.
- One of two players on the Redbird roster this season to have a 20-point game at ISU. He did it once with 21 points at Utah State in 2003. His other 21-point game came while playing for Wisconsin, against Marshall.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	⊦I-A	U-R	PΕ	Α	10	BLK	5	IΡ	
Indianapolis	33	3-9	2-4	4-4	1-2	2	3	2	0	2	12	
at Cincinnati	30	2-8	1-4	3-3	0-2	4	6	2	0	0	8	
Western Michigan	36	6-12	3-8	1-2	0-5	0	1	2	1	0	16	
Grambling State	30	3-8	2-3	3-4	1-4	1	4	3	0	1	11	
UW-Green Bay	31	3-5	0-1	7-11	0-5	0	4	1	0	0	13	
IPFW	30	3-6	1-1	3-3	1-5	1	7	3	0	1	10	
Georgia Southern	34	4-10	0-4	4-7	1-7	0	4	2	1	1	12	
at Cal StNorthridge	28	4-11	2-6	0-0	3-7	2	7	2	0	1	10	
at Indiana State*	23	1-4	0-3	0-2	0-1	3	2	2	0	0	2	
Creighton*	38	7-10	1-2	2-5	0-6	0	3	3	0	0	17	
at Northern Iowa*	28	1-9	0-4	0-0	1-5	1	1	4	0	1	2	
at Creighton*	37	3-10	2-6	0-0	2-4	1	6	6	0	5	8	
Wichita State*	26	0-6	0-2	0-0	0-1	1	3	4	0	0	0	

at Missouri State*

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Last Time Out: A perfect shooting performance by making his only field goal attempt and all four free throws.

Michael Vandello F · 6-7 · 220 · Fr.-HS · Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 9, twice

Rebounds – 7 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05 Assists – 5 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05

Blocked Shots - 1, three times

Steals - 2, twice

Minutes - 31 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

Northern Iowa* Evansville* at Southern Illinois* Indiana State* Southern Illinois* at Bradley* at Evansville* at Drake* Bradley*

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- Has been a reserve in four of the last five games.
- Dished out a career best five assists in the win over UW-Green Bay.
- Of the Redbirds' seven newcomers, has had the most immediate impact.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	18	3-4	0-1	0-0	2-4	1	1	3	1	2	6
at Cincinnati	22	1-3	1-1	0-0	0-1	4	2	2	0	0	3
Western Michigan	19	2-5	1-2	4-4	3-7	4	0	3	1	0	9
Grambling State	9	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-3	1	1	1	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay	30	2-7	0-2	0-0	0-4	2	5	0	0	1	4
IPFW	30	4-8	0-0	0-0	2-3	1	2	0	0	2	8
Georgia Southern	31	2-9	0-1	3-4	3-4	2	3	0	0	0	7
at Cal StNorthridge	27	0-2	0-0	0-0	2-3	2	1	2	0	1	0
at Indiana State*	18	2-4	1-2	4-6	0-2	3	0	2	0	0	9
Creighton*	25	1-5	0-1	0-0	1-5	4	3	2	0	0	2
at Northern Iowa*	20	2-4	0-1	0-0	0-4	3	0	4	0	0	4
at Creighton*	24	3-7	1-2	0-0	1-2	3	3	4	1	1	7
Wichita State*	17	1-1	0-0	4-4	0-3	2	0	2	0	0	6
at Missouri State*											





Eric Vianney G · 6-2 · 210 · Fr.-HS · Yaoundé, Câmeroon (Picayune)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 9 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Rebounds – 3 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 5 Assists – 1 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05 Blocked Shots – 0 Steals – 1 at Northern Iowa, 1-2-06 Minutes – 8 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

- Tossed in a career-best nine points in the win over IPFW, thanks to a 3-for-3 effort on treys.
- Despite a cut frame, has not had a lot of strength and conditioning in his career. Obviously, the coaching staff was surprised when he squatted 545 pounds on a weight machine.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Cincinnati	4	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	1	1	0	0	2
Western Michigan				Did	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
Grambling State				Did	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
UW-Green Bay				Did	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
IPFW	8	3-3	3-3	0-1	0-3	1	0	1	0	0	9
Georgia Southern	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	2	0	0	0
at Cal StNorthridge				Did	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
at Indiana State*	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Creighton*				Did	not play	- coad	ch's dec	isio			
at Northern Iowa*	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	3	0	0	0	1	2
at Creighton*	1	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wichita State*				Did	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
at Missouri State*											
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Southern Illinois*



Travis Wallace G · 6-0 · 175 · Sr.-1L · St. Louis, Mo. (Jennings)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 2, twice Rebounds – 2 at Marquette, 11-15-04 Assists – 1, five times Blocked Shots – 0 Steals – 3 at Marquette, 11-15-04 Minutes – 11 at Marquette, 11-15-04

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05 Rebounds – 1 at Indiana State, 12-22-05 Assists – 1, twice Blocked Shots – 0 Steals – 0 Minutes – 8 at Indiana State, 12-22-05

UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:

 A walk-on who will see some time at the point guard position this season.

2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

<i>2005-06 GAME</i>	<i>-BY-G</i>	AME	STATI	STIC	3						
Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	0	0
at Cincinnati				Did	not play	- coad	:h's dec	ision			
Western Michigan				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
Grambling State	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0
UW-Green Bay				Did	not play	- coad	:h's dec	ision			
IPFW	2	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Georgia Southern				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
at Cal StNorthridge	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Indiana State*	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Creighton*	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Northern Iowa*	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	0
at Creighton*				Did	not play	- coad	:h's dec	ision			
Wichita State*				Did	not play	- coad	:h's dec	ision			
at Missouri State*											
Northern Iowa*											
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EXHIBITION 1

Redbirds Win Lone Exhibition, 60-49

NORMAL, III. - Senior Neil Plank tallied 15 points and nine rebounds as Illinois State defeated Augustana [S.D.] 60-49 in an exhibition game Wednesday night at Redbird Arena. Sophomore point guard Khalif Ford also chipped in 11 points and four rebounds as the only other Redbird scoring in double digits.

The Redbirds started the first half on a 12-6 scoring run on six baskets by six different players. Ford hit a jumper with 7:22 left to put the 'Birds up 18-9 and Michael Vandello's jumper with 45 seconds left gave the Redbirds their largest lead of the half at 11 points at 26-15.

The second half began with the Redbirds and Vikings trading baskets until the 'Birds went on a 10-0 scoring run paced by five points from Plank. The 'Birds led by as many as 19 points, but the Vikings went on a 24-8 run with nine points from Margues Blank to cut the lead to three points at 52-49 with 2: 46 remaining. The Redbirds regained control with an 8-0 scoring run, all on free throws, to put the Vikings away.

ILLINOIS STATE 60, Augustana (S.D.) 49

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Augustana (S.D).) Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Olson, f	30	3-10	0-0	0-1	0	4	7
Krogman, f	16	0-2	1-2	1-3	1	4	1
VerDouw, c	15	0-2	0-0	1-4	1	4	0
Hardy, g	27	2-9	3-5	3-8	0	4	7
Thomas, g	19	2-8	0-0	0-4	2	2	6
Medema	20	1-5	0-0	0-0	0	1	2
Blank	24	2-3	8-10	1-6	2	0	14
Hartzell	7	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Richardson	21	2-6	0-1	3-4	1	3	4
Klepatz	21	4-6	0-2	0-0	1	3	8
Totals	200	16-52	12-20	14-39	8	26	49

Team Pct.: FG - .308; FT - .600

3-Pt.: 5-17, .294 (Olson 1-1, Hardy 0-1, Thomas 2-8, Medema 0-4, Blank 2-2, Hartzell 0-1)

Blocks: 3 (Olson 1, Klepatz 2)

Turnovers: 20 (VerDouw, Hardy 6, Thomas 4, Medema 2, Blank 3, Richardson 2, Klepatz 1)

Steals: 6 (Olson 2, Hardy 2, Thomas 1, Klepatz 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	29	4-7	6-11	3-9	0	1	15
Dilligard, f	23	3-8	2-5	1-1	1	3	8
Dyer, c	19	1-7	2-2	0-3	2	1	4
K. Ford, g	26	3-8	5-6	1-4	4	4	11
D. Ford, g	15	0-4	0-0	0-3	1	2	0
Fortes	11	1-1	0-0	1-4	0	1	2
Onyeuku	11	2-4	1-1	0-1	1	2	5
Wallace	5	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Vianney	9	2-3	1-2	0-0	0	0	5
Kruse	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Vandello	21	2-2	2-2	2-3	4	2	6
Odiakosa	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	13	0-3	0-0	0-1	1	1	0
Carlwell	14	2-2	0-4	1-4	0	2	4
Totals	200	20-50	19-33	11-28	14	21	60

Team Pct.: FG - .400; FT - .576

3-Pt.: 1-11, .091 (Plank 1-2, Dyer 0-2, K. Ford 0-3, D. Ford 0-1, Vianney 0-1, Holtz 0-2)

Blocks: 7 (Dilligard 2, Dyer 1, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Vandello 2) Turnovers: 14 (Plank 1, Dilligard 3, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Fortes 2, Wallace 1, Vianney 1, Kruse 2, Vandello 1, Odiakosa 1) Steals: 7 (Plank 1, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Vianney 1, Vandello 1)

Officials: Dave Draucker, Bill Oostdyk, Dave Cronin

Attendance: 4,484

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 28, Augustana (S.D.) 17

GAME 1

Redbirds Win Late in Season Opener Over Indy

NORMAL, III. - Late three-point field goals by seniors Neil Plank and Nedu Onyeuku helped the Illinois State Redbirds come from behind in the final two minutes to win its season and home opener against the Indianapolis Greyhounds at Redbird Arena.

Neither team shot well in the first half, with ISU shooting just 37 percent from the field and the Greyhounds shooting just 27 percent in the half

The two squads then traded baskets until ISU went on a 16-4 run beginning at the 11:08 and ending at the 3:14 mark, giving ISU a 24-16 lead. The run was highlighted by two three-point baskets by 6-10 center Levi Dyer, with senior Dana Ford chipping in for five points. ISU continued to control the game for the rest of the half. going into the locker room at the break with a 30-21 lead.

The start of the second half was much like the start of the first. with both teams exchanging baskets and ISU leading by as many as 11. However, the Greyhounds put on a run worthy of their namesake, as the 'Hounds went on a 13-0 run that spanned five minutes, giving Indianapolis its first lead since the 7:26 mark in the first half

Plank led all scores with 12 points and Onyeuku added nine to lead the Redbirds

ILLINOIS STATE 54, Indianapolis 50

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Indianapolis	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Mills, f	24	3-6	0-0	4-7	0	3	6
LaBad, c	21	2-7	4-4	2-6	0	3	8
McClung, g	32	3-16	2-2	4-7	0	2	8
Cox, g	32	4-7	0-0	2-4	0	2	10
Strahm, g	26	2-10	2-2	0-3	0	3	7
Blank	21	2-5	4-4	0-0	1	1	9
Smith	28	1-4	0-0	0-5	7	2	2
Moore	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Lulow	16	0-0	0-0	0-5	0	0	0
Totals	200	17-55	12-12	15-41	8	16	50

Team Pct.: FG - .309; FT - 1.000

3-Pt.: 4-16, .250 (Mills 0-1, McClung 0-2, Cox 2-4, Strahm 1-5, Blank 1-2, Smith 0-2)

Blocks: 1 (Mills 1)

Turnovers: 15 (Mills 1, LaBad 1, McClung 4, Cox 2, Strahm 3, Blank 1, Smith 3)

Steals: 4 (Mills 1, McClung 1, Blank 1, Lulow 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	33	3-9	4-4	1-2	3	2	12
Dilligard, f	25	2-3	0-3	0-4	1	0	4
Dyer, c	20	2-10	0-0	0-2	2	2	6
K. Ford, g	34	2-6	0-0	1-5	5	2	4
D. Ford, g	24	3-10	0-1	2-5	2	1	7
Fortes	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Onyeuku	17	4-6	0-0	0-2	1	2	9
Wallace	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vianney	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	18	3-4	0-0	2-4	1	1	6
Holtz	8	3-5	0-2	0-1	0	0	6
Carlwell	12	0-3	0-0	2-3	0	0	0
Totals	200	22-57	4-10	14-37	15	10	54

Team Pct.: FG - .386: FT - .400

3-Pt.: 6-19, .316 (Dyer 2-5, K. Ford 0-2, Plank 2-4, D. Ford 1-4, Onyeuku 1-1, Vandello 0-1, Holtz 0-2)

Blocks: 6 (Dilligard 2, Dyer 1, D. Ford 1, Vandello 1, Carlwell 1) Turnovers: 12 (Dilligard 1, K. Ford 2, Plank 2, Onyeuku 2, Wallace 2 Vandello 3)

Steals: 9 (K. Ford 1, Plank 2, D. Ford 3, Vandello 2, Holtz 1)

Officials: Dave Draucker, John Moore, Kerry Campbell

Attendance: 3,747

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 30, Indianapolis 21

GAME 2

Redbirds Fall Short Against Bearcats, 76-59

CINCINNATI - Greg Dilligard's career-high 16 points, including 10 in the second half, weren't enough as Illinois State fell 76-59, to Cincinnati in non-conference action at the Fifth Third Arena

The Redbirds jumped out of the gate early, thanks to a pair of baskets from Dilligard, and stormed out to a 12-5 lead with 16:09 left in the first half. The 'Birds and the Bearcats went toe-to-toe for the next seven minutes and Cincinnati held a 26-22 edge. But the ISU shooting went cold as the Redbirds were held scoreless for nearly five-and-a-half minutes, while Cincinnati put together a 12-0 run and took a commanding 38-22 lead with 4:10 left in the half.

However, the Redbirds showed some tenacity and responded with a 12-5 run of their own to end the half and cut into the Bearcat lead at 43-34 at the intermission. Dana Ford led the Redbirds offensively in the first half with 12 points, which set a new career high for the fourth-year senior.

Cincinnati 76, ILLINOIS STATE 59

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ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	30	2-8	3-3	0-2	6	4	8
Vandello, f	22	1-3	0-0	0-1	2	4	3
Dilligard, f	30	8-11	0-1	2-5	1	3	16
K. Ford, g	27	1-5	0-0	1-1	2	4	3
D. Ford, g	30	3-8	4-4	1-6	3	1	12
Fortes	10	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	3	3
Onyeuku	17	0-1	0-2	1-4	1	2	0
Vianney	4	0-0	2-2	0-1	1	1	2
Kruse	1	1-4	0-0	2-2	0	0	2
Dyer	15	3-5	0-0	0-1	0	2	9
Odiakosa	5	0-2	1-2	0-2	0	0	1
Holtz	6	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Carlwell	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Totals	200	20-51	10-14	11-33	16	25	59

Team Pct.: FG - .392; FT - .714

3-Pt.: 9-22, .409 (Plank 1-4, Vandello 1-1, K. Ford 1-3, D. Ford 2-3, Fortes 1-2, Onyeuku 0-1, Kruse 0-2, Dyer 3-5, Holtz 0-1)

Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 1, K. Ford 1)

Turnovers: 26 (Plank 2, Dilligard 2, Vandello 2, K. Ford 6, D. Ford 2, Fortes 1, Onyeuku 3, Vianney 1, Dyer 1, Odiakosa 1, Holtz 1, Team 4)

Steals: 1 (D. Ford 1)

Cincinnati	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Hicks, f	32	4-12	0-1	8-11	3	2	8
McGowan, f	23	1-5	2-4	1-3	0	3	4
Kirkland, f	27	3-8	4-6	1-3	2	0	10
Muhammad, g	18	0-4	0-0	0-0	3	2	0
White, g	37	6-10	3-4	1-6	2	1	18
Tilford	11	1-3	2-2	0-1	1	3	4
Downey	30	7-12	5-5	1-1	3	2	21
Watt	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Miller	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Allen	7	3-3	0-0	0-1	0	2	9
Coleman	10	0-3	1-2	1-3	1	1	1
Murray	3	0-0	1-2	0-1	0	1	1
Totals	200	25-61	18-26	16-34	15	17	76

Team Pct.: FG - .410: FT - .692

3-Pt.: 8-20, .400 (McGowan 0-1, Kirkland 0-3, Muhammad 0-2, White 3-6, Tilford 0-1, Downey 2-3, Allen 3-3, Coleman 0-1)

Blocks: 7 (Hicks 3, Kirkland 2, White 1, Allen 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Kirkland 5, Muhammad 3, White 1, Downey 3,

Steals: 12 (Hicks 2, McGowan 1, Kirkland 3, White 2, Downey 4)

Officials: Curtis Shaw, Steve Morris, Gerry Pollard

Attendance: 8,802

Halftime Score: Cincinnati 43, ILLINOIS STATE 34

GAME 3

Birds Out-Hustle Western Michigan, Win 64-47

NORMAL, III. – Head coach Porter Moser was fired up on the sidelines all day, watching the Illinois State defense hustle for loose balls and force turnovers to frustrate the Western Michigan Broncos in a 64-47 non-conference win Saturday at Redbird Arena.

The Redbird defense corralled the Broncos' offense in the first half, limiting Western Michigan to just 20 points and forcing 12 turnovers in the half. However, the Redbird offense also came to play, leading the entire half and being ahead by as many as 15 points at one point, finishing the half up 34-20.

After trading baskets with Western Michigan for the first four minutes of the half, ISU jumped out to a 17-7 lead thanks to a 9-0 run that took four and a half minutes off the clock. Senior Neil Plank was the catalyst, scoring five points including one of his three 3-point baskets in the first half to put a cap on the run before Western Michigan's Joe Reitz put an end to the drought.

ISU continued its hot shooting after the early run, maintaining at least an eight point lead throughout the rest of the first half. ISU finished the half shooting .500 from the field, with seven 'Birds scoring points.

Khalif Ford finished the game with 11 points and Plank finished with 16 for the game after scoring 15 in the first half. Andrew Hershberger was the only Bronco in double figures with 11 points.

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W. Michigan	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Hershberger, f	27	5-11	0-2	4-8	1	4	11
Bufford, f	28	4-10	0-0	1-5	0	4	9
Reitz, c	27	2-6	5-7	4-9	0	1	9
Snider, g	34	1-7	5-8	2-4	6	3	7
Gary, g	11	1-2	2-2	0-2	0	5	4
Fracalossi	16	1-5	0-0	2-3	0	0	3
Drews	19	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	0	0
Ricks	11	0-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Kendrick	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hess	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
deVries	13	2-3	0-0	0-1	1	2	4
Cloutier	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	16-51	12-19	15-35	9	21	47

Team Pct.: FG - .314; FT - .632

3-Pt.: 3-13, .231 (Hershberger 1-1, Bufford 1-1, Snider 0-2, Gary 0-1, Fracalossi 1-4, Drews 0-1, Ricks 0-2, Kendrick 0-1)

Blocks: 4 (Hershberger 2, Reitz 1, Snider 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Bufford 4, Reitz 2, Snider 5, Gary 1, Drews 3, Ricks 2)

Steals: 5 (Hershberger 2, Snider 1, Gary 2)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	36	6-12	1-2	0-5	1	0	16
Vandello, f	19	2-5	4-4	3-7	0	4	9
Dilligard, f	23	3-4	1-2	2-5	1	3	7
K. Ford, g	27	3-7	5-8	1-4	3	0	11
D. Ford, g	30	3-11	0-0	1-4	3	5	6
Onyeuku	19	2-3	2-2	0-1	3	0	6
Dyer	14	1-3	2-2	1-3	0	3	5
Odiakosa	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	14	1-5	0-0	1-2	0	0	2
Carlwell	17	0-0	2-2	2-4	0	2	2
Totals	200	21-50	17-22	11-36	11	17	64

Team Pct.: FG - .420; FT - .773

3-Pt.: 5-20, .250 (Plank 3-8, Vandello 1-2, D. Ford 0-3, Onyeuku

0-1, Dyer 1-2, Holtz 0-4)

Blocks: 7 (Plank 1, Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, Carlwell 3)

Turnovers: 12 (Plank 2, Vandello 3, K. Ford 3, D. Ford 1, Onyeuku

1, Holtz 2)

Steals: 7 (Dilligard 3, D. Ford 4)

Officials: John Yorkovich, Greg Webb, Jeff Malham

Attendance: 3,980

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 34, Western Michigan 20

GAME 4

Hot Second Half Shooting Propels ISU to 62-50 Win

NORMAL, III. – At times tonight's basketball game between Illinois State and Grambling State seemed destined for a low-scoring and sloppy outcome for both teams. However, a second half scoring surge by the Redbirds (3-1) combined with 37 percent shooting from the field for the Tigers (2-2) led to an exciting finish as ISU defeated Grambling State 62-50 Tuesday night at Redbird Arena

Defense was once again the story for Illinois State in the first half, as the Redbirds held Grambling to just 16 points and forced the Tigers to shoot 23.3 percent from the field in the opening half.

Grambling State came out inspired in the second half, going on an 8-2 run to start the half. Anthony Williams had five points to spark the Tiger run and get within two points of the 'Birds at 28-26 with 17:13 left in the game. However the Redbirds answered with a 16-2 run to take control once again. Dana Ford sparked the run with nine points, eventually leading to his career-high 16 points.

ISU led from that point on, leading by as many as 16 points at one point. Senior Neil Plank scored all of his 11 points in the second half and Dilligard finished one rebound short of a double-double with a game and career high 18 points and nine rebounds.

ILLINOIS STATE 62, Grambling State 50

November 29, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Grambling St.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Williams, f	29	7-13	1-3	4-5	1	1	15
Stevens, f	17	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	3	0
Ratliff, g	35	5-11	0-0	0-1	3	3	13
Gordon, g	21	0-2	1-4	0-4	2	3	1
Rush, g	35	4-18	3-3	3-10	1	2	11
Kruel	5	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Thomas	19	2-7	0-2	0-2	0	2	4
Jefferson	3	0-0	0-0	1-1	1	0	0
McFadden	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Breaux	17	3-4	0-0	0-0	0	3	6
Dorsey	11	0-1	0-0	1-2	1	1	0
Totals	200	21-57	5-12	12-31	9	18	50

Team Pct.: FG - .368; FT - .417

3-Pt.: 3-15, .200 (Ratliff 3-8, Rush 0-5, Thomas 0-2)

Blocks: 0

Turnovers: 19 (Williams 3, Ratliff 6, Gordon 3, Rush 5, Thomas

1, Breaux 1)

Steals: 11 (Williams 2, Stevens 1, Ratliff 3, Gordon 1, Rush 2, Thomas 2)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	30	3-8	3-4	1-4	4	1	11
Vandello, f	9	0-2	0-0	1-3	1	1	0
Dilligard, f	34	8-11	2-6	3-9	2	3	18
K. Ford, g	27	2-6	0-0	0-2	5	3	4
D. Ford, g	37	7-13	0-0	0-7	2	1	16
Fortes	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Onyeuku	23	3-5	1-2	3-5	1	3	7
Wallace	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Dyer	7	0-1	4-4	0-1	0	1	4
Odiakosa	3	0-0	0-2	0-0	0	2	0
Holtz	12	1-2	0-0	0-3	0	0	2
Carlwell	11	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	24-48	10-18	8-36	17	15	62

Team Pct.: FG - .500; FT - .556

3-Pt.: 4-11, .364 (Plank 2-3, Vandello 0-1, K. Ford 0-1, D. Ford 2-4,

Dyer 0-1, Holtz 0-1)

Blocks: 4 (Dilligard 3, K. Ford 1)

Turnovers: 21 (Plank 3, Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 3, D. Ford 2, Fortes 1, Onyeuku 3, Dyer 1, Odiakosa 1, Holtz 1, Carlwell 3) Steals: 6 (Plank 1, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 2, Onyeuku 1, Holtz 1)

Officials: Paul Janssen, Paul Kaster, Neil Armstrong

Attendance: 5,149

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 26, Grambling State 16

GAME 5

Birds Hold Off UW-Green Bay

NORMAL, III. – Illinois State held off a late surge by Wisconsin-Green Bay to claim its third straight win, 59-51, in front of 5,871 fans on Neal Cotts Day at Redbird Arena.

Wisconsin-Green Bay (2-4) jumped out to a 5-0 lead to start the game with freshman Ryan Tillema recording all five points on a three-pointer and a pair of free throws. Meanwhile, the Redbirds turned the ball over on their first two possessions and lost defensive sparkplug Dana Ford at the 17:23 mark after he picked up two quick fouls.

But it was all Illinois State (4-1) after that when Greg Dilligard's jumper from the right side with 15:42 remaining in the half kicked off an 18-2 run. Nedu Onyeuku followed with a free throw to tie it up at 7-7 as the Redbirds took the lead for good. Six different players scored during the run, while the Phoenix suffered through a pair of five-minute scoring droughts during the decisive run.

The Phoenix cut into the Redbird lead with less than five minutes remaining in the half. Tillema once again led the way with a three-pointer, a layup and a pair of free throws, but the Redbirds still held onto a 26-20 lead at halftime.

Illinois State, which shot 61 percent from the field in the second half, had three players in double figures. Neil Plank and Dilligard led the 'Birds with 13 points apiece, while Onyeuku was also in double figures with 11. Wisconsin-Green Bay's Tillema led all scorer with 19, while Evans chipped in 11.

ILLINOIS STATE 59, UW-Green Bay 51

December 3, 2005 • Redbird Arena

UW-Green Bay	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Tillema, f	35	5-14	6-6	3-9	2	1	19
Lawrence, f	22	0-5	0-0	2-5	0	2	0
Schachtner, f	25	4-7	0-0	2-7	0	4	9
Evanochko, g	39	3-15	0-0	2-3	2	3	7
Evans, g	29	4-9	2-2	3-6	3	3	11
Farine	15	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	2
Minatee	17	0-4	1-4	1-1	1	5	1
Barkley	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Morris	15	1-7	0-0	0-3	0	1	2
Totals	200	18-62	9-12	16-39	9	20	51

Team Pct.: FG - .290; FT - .750

3-Pt.: 6-17, .353 (Tillema 3-8, Lawrence 0-1, Schachtner 1-2,

Evanochko 1-4, Evans 1-2)

Blocks: 2 (Lawrence 1, Morris 1)

Turnovers: 11 (Tillema 1, Lawrence 3, Evanochko 1, Evans 2,

Farine 2, Minatee 1, Morris 1)

Steals: 4 (Tillema 1, Evans 2, Minatee 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	31	3-5	7-11	0-5	4	0	13
Vandello, f	30	2-7	0-0	0-4	5	2	4
Dilligard, f	36	5-9	3-4	4-7	1	2	13
K. Ford, g	32	1-4	3-4	0-1	3	3	5
D. Ford, g	20	1-4	0-0	0-5	2	3	2
Onyeuku	23	3-4	3-4	0-3	0	1	11
Kruse	12	2-7	0-0	0-0	0	1	5
Dyer	4	0-1	2-2	0-0	0	0	2
Holtz	3	0-0	2-2	0-1	0	1	2
Carlwell	9	1-1	0-0	0-3	0	1	2
Totals	200	18-42	20-27	5-34	15	14	59

Team Pct.: FG - .429; FT - .741

3-Pt.: 3-15, .200 (Plank 0-1, Vandello 0-2, K. Ford 0-1, D. Ford 0-3,

Onyeuku 2-3, Kruse 1-4, Dyer 0-1)

Blocks: 6 (Dilligard 3, D. Ford 2, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Plank 1, Dilligard 1, K. Ford 5, D. Ford 2, Onyeuku

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Steals: 6 (Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1, Onyeuku 1)

Officials: Patrick Adams, Bo Boroski, Jeb Hartness

Attendance: 5,871

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 26, UW-Green Bay 20



GAME 6

ISU Sets New Arena Record; Defeats IPFW

NORMAL, III. – Senior forward Neil Plank, who finished with 10 points, led the Illinois State men's basketball team to a 65-36 win over IPFW Tuesday night at Redbird Arena, holding the Mastodons to just 36 points, a new Redbird Arena low.

Greg Dilligard's opening dunk set the tone in the first half as Illinois State went on to rattle off seven answered points, not allowing an IPFW basket until the 15:33 mark. Following a Dana Ford three-pointer that put the 'Birds up 18-8, Plank and Eric Vianney went on to drain consecutive three-pointers to put ISU up 30-13 at the half.

Another Dilligard dunk with 11:45 left in the game extended the Illinois State lead to 43-29. Dilligard finished with eight points, seven rebounds and two blocks, putting him in sole possession of sixth place in school history with 75 career blocks. Vianney added to the lead, putting the 'Birds up by 26 with two three-pointers in the final three minutes, finishing with a career-high nine points on the night

ILLINOIS STATE 65, IPFW 36

December 6, 2005 • Redbird Arena

IPFW	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Scott, f	32	2-7	0-1	0-0	0	2	4
Hawkins, f	36	3-6	0-0	2-5	4	3	8
Best, f	36	3-11	1-2	2-6	3	1	7
Carouthers, g	28	1-5	0-0	0-2	1	3	3
Pompey, g	26	2-6	0-0	0-6	0	2	5
Johnson	7	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Posley	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Savely	22	3-8	1-4	0-0	1	3	9
Esseghir	3	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Ademi	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Egeric	3	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	14-45	2-7	7-25	9	17	36

Team Pct.: FG - .311; FT - .286

3-Pt.: 6-17, .353 (Scott 0-2, Hawkins 2-4, Best 0-1, Carouthers 1-2, Pompey 1-3, Johnson 0-1, Savely 2-4)

Blocks: 2 (Scott 1, Best 1)

Turnovers: 20 (Scott 1, Hawkins 1, Best 3, Carouthers 4, Pompey 4, Posley 1, Savely 4, Essighir 1, Team 1)

Steals: 6 (Best 1, Pompey 4, Posley 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	30	3-6	3-3	1-5	7	1	10
Vandello, f	30	4-8	0-0	2-3	2	1	8
Dilligard, f	30	3-8	2-3	3-7	0	2	8
K. Ford, g	17	2-4	2-4	0-2	3	3	8
D. Ford, g	23	1-3	1-2	0-3	3	3	4
Fortes	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	1	0
Onyeuku	25	2-4	0-0	1-5	0	1	4
Wallace	2	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0	2
Vianney	8	3-3	0-1	0-3	0	1	9
Kruse	9	2-6	0-0	0-2	0	0	5
Dyer	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Odiakosa	4	1-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	2
Holtz	5	1-2	0-0	1-1	0	0	2
Carlwell	10	0-0	3-4	1-2	2	3	3
Totals	200	22-46	13-19	11-37	19	17	65

Team Pct.: FG - .478; FT - .684

3-Pt.: 8-14, .571 (Plank 1-1, K. Ford 2-3, D. Ford 1-2, Fortes 0-1, Onyeuku 0-1, Vianney 3-3, Kruse 1-3)

Blocks: 4 (Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 1, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 16 (Plank 3, Dilligard 4, K. Ford 4, D. Ford 1, Onyeuku 2, Vianney 1, Odiakosa 1)

Steals: 11 (Plank 1, Vandello 2, Dilligard 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 2, Onyeuku 1, Carlwell 2)

Officials: Terry Anderson, Dave Cronin, Dan Dorian

Attendance: 5,181

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 20, IPFW 13

GAME 7

Second Half Surge Not Enough for ISU

NORMAL, III. – The Illinois State Redbird men's basketball team mounted a tremendous comeback to take the lead in the second half after going into halftime down by 13 points. However, the comeback was not enough to put away Georgia Southern, as late free throws helped propel the Eagles to a 64-61 win at Redbird Arena on Saturday.

Georgia Southern took the lead 13-12 after Sean Olivier sank two free throws as Greg Dilligard picked up his second foul of the half for ISU. That forced Dilligard to the bench and the Eagles proceeded to go on an 11-0 run to extend their lead to 22-12 with 6:32 left in the first half. ISU went scoreless for nearly five and a half minutes before Neil Plank converted two free throws to get the Redbirds back on the scoring track at 22-14. However, the Eagles would not relinquish that lead and led by as many as 13 points on their way to a 31-20 lead at halftime.

With the score tied at 44-44, Dilligard scored consecutive hoops giving ISU its first lead of the second half at 48-47. However, the Eagles would not go away, with Elton Nesbitt leading the way with 14 points in the half. Six of those points came in the last two minutes as Georgia Southern would recover the lead on a three-pointer by Donte Gennie at 60-57. The Eagles held on to that three point lead, with the Redbirds having a final shot at a tie. However, Neil Plank's last second 3-point attempt rimmed out.

Georgia Southern 64, ILLINOIS STATE 61 December 10, 2005 • Redbird Arena

FG-A FT-A O-REB A PF TP Ga. Southern Olivier f 25 1-4 2-2 1-3 0 4 4 Graham, c 18 3-5 1-1 0 4 7 1-6 3-6 Gennie, g 28 5-8 1-3 4 1 13 Nesbitt, g 30 8-16 1.1 0.1 1 Λ 23 Tobias, q 15 1-5 0-0 3 2-2 2 Foreman 34 0-6 0-4 5 3 Dunn 25 1-1 6-6 2-6 1 3 8 0-0 0-0 0 0 Swain 8 0-0 Salazar 13 1-5 0-0 1-3 0 Λ 3 Ward 4 1-1 0-0 0-1 0 0 Totals 200 21-51 16-18 10-33 14 24 64

Team Pct.: FG - .412; FT - .889

3-Pt.: 6-13, .462 (Gennie 2-2, Nesbitt 3-6, Tobias 0-1, Foreman 0-2, Salazar 1-2)

Blocks: 4 (Olivier 2, Graham 1, Dunn 1)

Turnovers: 19 (Olivier 3, Graham 2, Gennie 1, Nesbitt 2, Foreman 6, Dunn 1, Swain 1, Salazar 2, Ward 1)

Steals: 7 (Olivier 1, Gennie 2, Tobias 3, Foreman 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	34	4-10	4-7	1-7	4	0	12
Vandello, f	31	2-9	3-4	3-4	3	2	7
Dilligard, f	27	3-5	0-0	1-3	0	3	6
K. Ford, g	28	0-2	5-6	0-1	1	3	5
D. Ford, g	19	4-9	1-2	0-4	0	3	10
Onyeuku	26	5-9	4-7	0-2	1	3	14
Vianney	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Kruse	4	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Dyer	3	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	1	2
Odiakosa	2	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Holtz	7	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	3
Carlwell	15	1-2	0-0	2-5	1	0	2
Totals	200	20-49	19-28	12-33	10	16	61

Team Pct.: FG - .408; FT - .679

3-Pt.: 2-14, .143 (Plank 0-4, Vandello 0-1, K. Ford 0-1, D. Ford 1-4, Onyeuku 0-2, Holtz 1-1)

Blocks: 6 (Plank 1, Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 1, Carlwell 2)

Turnovers: 17 (Plank 2, K. Ford 5, D. Ford 3, Onyeuku 3, Vianney 2, Holtz 1, Carlwell 1)

Steals: 5 (Plank 1, K. Ford 2, Onyeuku 2)

Officials: David Warfel, Mark Mayhood, Willie Beamon

Attendance: 6,762

Halftime Score: Georgia Southern 31, ILLINOIS STATE 20

GAME 8

Redbird Rally Falls Short; ISU Downed 73-69

NORTHRIDGE, Calif. – Illinois State nailed six three-point field goals in the final 1:35 of the game to erase a 13-point deficit, but Dana Ford's final attempt at a game-winner bounced off the front of the rim and Cal State-Northridge walked away with a 73-69 nonconference win at the Matadome Saturday night.

CSUN's Jonathan Heard sank a pair of free throws to extend the lead to 65-57, but a Brandon Holtz three-pointer made the score 65-60. After Mike Efevberha missed one of his free throw attempts on back-to-back two-shot trips to the line, three-pointers by Nedu Onyeuku and Neil Plank closed the gap to 67-66 with 26 seconds on the clock.

Efevberha was fouled again, but made both charity attempts, however Ford's three-pointer from atop the key forced a 69-69 tie with 20 seconds left in the game. On the ensuing play, Holtz put pressure on Efevberha in the corner of the court on a trap, but was whistled for the foul. The Matador's leading scorer stepped to the line and sank both free throw attempts for his 27th point of the night, including 23 in the second half. Ford launched another three-pointer from the left wing for the win, but it bounced off the rim.

Cal State Northridge 73, ILLINOIS STATE 69

December 17, 2005 • The Matadome

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Plank, f	28	4-11	0-0	3-7	7	2	10
Vandello, f	27	0-2	0-0	2-3	1	2	0
Dilligard, f	16	4-5	0-0	2-2	1	5	8
K. Ford, g	24	3-7	0-0	0-2	3	5	8
D. Ford, g	28	6-13	0-0	1-4	3	4	15
Onyeuku	23	6-12	0-2	0-0	2	2	14
Wallace	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Dyer	9	0-1	2-2	0-1	0	0	2
Odiakosa	12	0-3	1-2	1-1	0	1	1
Holtz	23	4-10	0-0	1-2	2	4	11
Carlwell	10	0-1	0-0	0-2	0	2	0
Totals	200	27-65	3-6	11-25	19	27	69

Team Pct.: FG - .415; FT - .500

3-Pt.: 12-29, .414 (Plank 2-6, K. Ford 2-3, D. Ford 3-7, Onyeuku 2-5, Dyer 0-1, Holtz 3-7)

Blocks: 3 (Dilligard 2, D. Ford 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Plank 2, Vandello 2, Dilligard 1, K. Ford 5, D. Ford 3, Onyeuku 1, Holtz 1, Carlwell 1, Team 1)

Steals: 9 (Plank 1, Vandello 1, D. Ford 3, Onyeuku 1, Odiakosa 1, Holtz 2)

CS-Northridge	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Efevgerha, f	32	7-16	11-15	4-5	3	1	27
Powers, f	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Waggener, c	19	1-3	1-2	0-2	1	1	3
Haynes, g	15	1-1	2-2	1-3	0	1	5
Altheimer, g	22	0-0	2-2	0-6	2	3	2
Locke	16	3-3	0-0	0-0	2	2	6
Heard	27	4-7	4-4	1-3	3	0	13
Miller	17	1-3	4-4	2-3	1	1	6
Hill	1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Jones	7	1-1	2-2	0-0	0	0	4
Shewmake	27	1-4	3-6	3-12	0	1	5
Everage	13	0-3	2-2	2-5	0	1	2
Totals	200	19-42	31-39	14-42	12	11	73

Team Pct.: FG - .452; FT - .795

3-Pt.: 4-9, .444 (Efevberha 2-5, Waggener 0-1, Haynes 1-1, Heard 1-2)

Blocks: 5 (Efevberha 1, Altheimer 1, Shewmake 3)

Turnovers: 27 (Efevberha 3, Waggener 1, Haynes 1, Altheimer 2, Locke 2, Heard 6, Miller 2, Hill 1, Jones 1, Shewmake 6, Everage 2)

Steals: 6 (Waggener 1, Haynes 1, Locke 1, Heard 1, Shewmake 2)

Officials: Fred Carbone, Michael Irving, Martin Cota

Attendance: 1,013

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 30, CS-Northridge 30

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GAME 9

Birds Battle to OT, but Fall 69-59

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. – Indiana State's Gabriel Moore spoiled Greg Dilligard's second career double-double with nine of his 18 points in the overtime period to defeat Illinois State 69-59, in the Missouri Valley Conference opener for both teams at the Hulman Center Thursday night.

The Redbirds erased a five-point second half deficit at 49-44 with 3:58 left in regulation, thanks to a three-point basket by Nedu Onyeuku and a baseline jumper by Dilligard with 2:50 left on the clock. The Redbirds took a brief one-point lead when Onyeuku sank the front end of a one-and-one from the foul line. Indiana State's Trent Wurtz forced the fourth tie of the game at 50-50 with a 1-for-2 effort from the line with 27 seconds left.

The Redbirds held for the final shot, but the ball was forced out of bounds with 3.2 seconds remaining. Coming out of a time out, Illinois State's Neil Plank had an open look from three-point range, but opted to drive and lost control of the ball to force the extra period.

Indiana State stormed out to a 56-50 lead, just 26 seconds into overtime, as Moore scored six straight points. Moore was fouled by Khalif Ford on a three-point attempt and sank all three free throws, before stealing the inbound pass and scoring a traditional three-point play. In the extra period, free throws decided the game for the Sycamores as they made 13-of-14 from the line.

Indiana State 69, ILLINOIS STATE 59 OT

December 22, 2005 • Hulman Center

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Odiakosa, f	20	1-4	1-2	1-2	1	3	3
Dilligard, f	36	11-18	0-1	3-12	3	5	22
Onyeuku, g	25	3-8	1-2	0-4	3	5	8
Plank, g	23	1-4	0-2	0-1	2	3	2
D. Ford, g	32	1-7	0-0	1-6	1	3	2
K. Ford	26	1-5	2-2	1-2	4	4	4
Wallace	8	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0
Vianney	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Vandello	18	2-4	4-6	0-2	0	3	9
Dyer	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Holtz	20	4-6	0-0	0-1	0	2	9
Carlwell	11	0-1	0-2	1-2	0	1	0
Totals	225	24-58	8-17	9-36	15	31	59

Team Pct.: FG - .414; FT - .471

3-Pt.: 3-15, .200 (Onyeuku 1-3, Plank 0-3, D. Ford 0-4, K. Ford 0-1, Vandello 1-2, Holtz 1-2)

Blocks: 5 (D. Ford 1, Dilligard 3, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 16 (Onyeuku 1, Plank 2, Odiakosa 1, D. Ford 2, Dilligard 3, K. Ford 1, Vandello 2, Dyer 1, Carlwell 2, Team 1)

Steals: 5 (Onyeuku 2, Odiakosa 1, D. Ford 2)

Indiana State	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Wurtz, f	28	1-3	8-12	1-6	1	4	10
Tunnell, f	39	6-10	3-4	2-3	1	3	15
Moore, g	41	3-7	10-10	1-10	1	1	18
Schnitker, g	43	1-11	1-2	0-4	0	2	3
Moss, g	43	5-14	11-13	2-8	7	4	21
Evans	19	0-0	0-2	1-1	1	2	0
Booe	4	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Trudeau	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Wise	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Yelovich	4	1-1	0-0	0-1	0	2	2
Totals	225	17-47	33-43	8-38	11	19	69

Team Pct.: FG - .362; FT - .767

3-Pt.: 2-12, .167 (Moore 2-3, Schnitker 0-5, Wurtz 0-1, Moss 0-1, Tunnell 0-2)

Blocks: 1 (Wurtz 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Moore 3, Schnitker 3, Moss 5, Tunnell 1, Yelovich

Steals: 5 (Moore 1, Wurtz 1, Moss 2, Yelovich 1)

Officials: J.D. Collins, Steve Skiles, Dave Draucker

Attendance: 5,072

Halftime Score: Indiana State 28, ILLINOIS STATE 22

GAME 10

Ford Hits Buzzer-Beater to Lift ISU over the Jays

NORMAL, III. – With the score tied at 50 and just 3.1 seconds left on the clock, the ball was inbounded to Illinois State's Greg Dilligard at mid-court. Dilligard passed off to Dana Ford who took two dribbles and launched a forty-footer which fell through the net as the buzzer sounded to lift the Redbird men's basketball team to a win over the Creighton Bluejays, 53-50 on Saturday afternoon.

Bluejay center Anthony Tolliver hit a seven-foot jumper with a minute-and-a-half left to give the Jays the edge, 50-49. Illinois State's Neil Plank was fouled on the ensuing play and made the second of two free throws to tie the game at 50 with 28 seconds remaining. The Bluejays failed to convert on their next trip as they turned the ball over with 3.1 seconds left in regulation. Plank inbounded the ball to Dilligard who passed off to Ford for the final score. Ford's shot fell through the net as time ran out to secure the Redbird victory.

Ford finished the game with 14 points and four steals, while Plank led all scorers with 17 points and six rebounds. Creighton was led by Tolliver's 15-point effort and Nate Funk added 13 points for the Jays.

ILLINOIS STATE 53, Creighton 50

December 31, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Creighton	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Watts, f	31	1-6	0-0	1-6	2	3	3
Tolliver, c	32	7-10	1-3	2-2	1	3	15
Porter, g	24	3-5	0-2	0-5	2	2	7
Mathies, g	26	2-5	1-1	1-3	1	4	7
Dotzler, g	32	0-4	0-0	0-1	4	1	0
Bishop	8	2-2	0-1	0-0	0	0	5
Funk	30	5-10	0-0	1-5	4	1	13
Day	17	0-1	0-2	0-1	1	1	0
Totals	200	20-43	2-9	5-25	15	15	50

Team Pct.: FG - .465; FT - .222

3-Pt.: 8-14, .571 (Watts 1-4, Porter 1-2, Mathies 2-2, Bishop 1-1, Funk 3-5)

Blocks: 3 (Tolliver 3)

Turnovers: 19 (Watts 3, Tolliver 2, Porter 1, Mathies 6, Dotzler 5, Funk 1, Day 1)

Steals: 11 (Watts 1, Tolliver 4, Mathies 1, Dotzler 4, Day 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Odiakosa, f	8	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	3	0
Dilligard, f	36	5-10	1-2	1-3	3	3	11
Onyeuku, g	19	1-3	3-4	0-0	1	2	6
Plank, g	38	7-10	2-5	0-6	3	0	17
D. Ford, g	32	6-9	0-0	0-2	2	0	14
Fortes	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
K. Ford	7	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0
Wallace	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	25	1-5	0-0	1-5	3	2	4
Holtz	17	1-3	0-0	0-2	1	0	3
Carlwell	12	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	21-42	6-11	4-26	14	12	53

Team Pct.: FG - .500; FT - .545

3-Pt.: 5-11, .455 (Onyeuku 1-2, Plank 1-2, D. Ford 2-4, Vandello 0-1, Holtz 1-2)

Blocks: 6 (Odiakosa 1, Dilligard 1, D. Ford 2, Holtz 1, Carlwell 1) Turnovers: 16 (Dilligard 1, Onyeuku 3, Plank 3, D. Ford 2, Fortes

1, K. Ford 2, Vandello 2, Carlwell 2)

Steals: 8 (Dilligard 1, Onyeuku 1, D. Ford 4, Fortes 1, Holtz 1)

Officials: Steve Olson, Curtis Shaw, Robert Staffen

Attendance: 5.970

Halftime Score: Creighton 28, ILLINOIS STATE 23

GAME 11

Slow Start Sinks Birds

CEDAR FALLS, Iowa – Northern Iowa opened Monday night's game with a 19-5 run and Illinois State was never able to catch up, as the 'Birds fell 60-47, in Missouri Valley Conference action at the UNI-Dome.

UNI's 19-5 start, over the game's first 10 minutes, was powered by 10 points from Eric Coleman. The Redbirds cut the first-half lead to under 10 twice, but UNI pulled away to claim a 29-16 halftime advantage. The Panthers sank six of their first 10 shots and finished shooting 46.2 percent for the half, while the 'Birds shot 33.3 percent from the floor, including 1-for-7 on threes.

ISU showed some more offense in the second half, and battled UNI to a 31-31 tie in the frame. The Redbirds' Greg Dilligard was ISU's only player in double figures with 12 points. UNI's Grant Stout led the way for the Panthers with 17 points, while Coleman finished with 16. Each added a game-high seven rebounds.

Northern Iowa 60, ILLINOIS STATE 47

January 2, 2006 • UNI-Dome

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	31	6-11	0-0	2-3	3	3	12
Carlwell, c	11	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	1	0
Onyeuku, g	18	1-2	1-2	1-1	2	0	3
Plank, g	28	1-9	0-0	1-5	1	1	2
D. Ford, g	27	3-9	0-0	0-4	1	1	7
Fortes	7	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	3
K. Ford	12	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	3
Wallace	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vianney	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	3	2
Kruse	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	20	2-4	0-0	0-4	0	3	4
Dyer	13	2-4	0-0	2-3	0	1	5
Holtz	23	2-4	0-0	1-4	0	0	6
Totals	200	20-48	1-2	8-27	8	16	47

Team Pct.: FG - .417; FT - .500

3-Pt.: 6-17, .353 (Plank 0-4, D. Ford 1-4, Fortes 1-1, K. Ford 1-2, Vandello 0-1, Dyer 1-2, Holtz 2-3)

Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 1, Onyeuku 1)

Turnovers: 15 (Dilligard 2, Carlwell 1, Onyeuku 3, Plank 4, Wallace 1, Vandello 4)

Steals: 6 (Dilligard 2, Plank 1, D. Ford 1, Vianney 1, Holtz 1)

Northern Iowa	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Stout, f	32	7-10	3-5	1-7	1	1	17
Coleman, c	18	7-11	2-2	3-7	1	1	16
Crawford, g	33	3-7	2-2	0-2	0	1	9
Jacobson, g	36	2-9	4-6	2-6	3	1	8
McKowen, g	33	2-5	0-0	0-0	5	1	5
Williams	2	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Little	29	1-4	0-0	1-2	1	2	3
Josten	8	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	0	0
Brown	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Griffin	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Santos	3	0-0	1-2	0-1	0	0	1
Totals	200	22-46	13-19	8-27	12	8	60

Team Pct.: FG - .478; FT - .684

3-Pt.: 3-12, .250 (Stout 0-1, Crawford 1-4, Jacobson 0-2, McKowen 1-2, 1 ittle 1-3)

Blocks: 2 (Jacobson 1, Santos 1)

Turnovers: 9 (Coleman 2, Crawford 2, Williams 1, Little 2, Josten 2)

Steals: 11 (Stout 4, Crawford 1, Jacobson 1, McKowen 3, Little 2)

Officials: John Higgins, Frank Spencer, Steve Gordon

Attendance: 4,014

Halftime Score: Northern Iowa 29, ILLINOIS STATE 16



GAME 12

Second-Half Run Downs Illinois State

OMAHA, Neb. – Senior Nedu Onyeuku returned to his hometown and led Illinois State with a career-high 17 points, but Creighton spoiled the homecoming with a 22-5 run in the second half to claim a 71-52 Missouri Valley Conference victory Thursday night at the Qwest Center OMAHA™.

A Roberto Fortes dunk gave ISU its first second half lead at 38-37 with 12:43 remaining, but the Jays took control of the game with a 22-5 run over the next six minutes, including seven points from Nick Porter. The Redbirds closed the gap to 11 points twice, but could never get any closer. Creighton finished the game shooting 60.5 percent from the floor, including 72.7 percent in the second half

Creighton led by as many as seven points in the first half at 16-9 with 11:10 on the clock. The Jays used four three-pointers to build the advantage, as they had five different players hit treys in the initial frame. The Redbirds stayed close and cut the lead to 27-25 at the half when Michael Vandello put in a lay-up with five seconds remaining.

Creighton 71, ILLINOIS STATE 52

January 5, 2006 • Owest Center OMAHA

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Vandello, f	24	3-7	0-0	1-2	3	3	7
Dilligard, f	33	5-7	1-2	3-5	1	1	11
Onyeuku, g	34	8-15	0-0	1-4	1	2	17
Plank, g	37	3-10	0-0	2-4	6	1	8
D. Ford, g	21	0-3	0-0	0-3	1	1	0
Fortes	12	2-6	0-0	0-2	0	0	5
K. Ford	24	1-2	0-0	1-3	2	5	2
Vianney	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Dyer	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Carlwell	5	1-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	2
Totals	200	23-54	1-2	12-27	14	13	52

Team Pct.: FG - .426; FT - .500

3-Pt.: 5-20, .250 (Vandello 1-2, Onyeuku 1-4, Plank 2-6, D. Ford 0-1, Fortes 1-4, Vianney 0-1, Dyer 0-1, Holtz 0-1)

Blocks: 3 (Vandello 1, Dilligard 2)

Turnovers: 21 (Vandello 4, Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 4, Plank 6, D. Ford 3, K. Ford 1, Holtz 1)

Steals: 10 (Vandello 1, Onyeuku 2, Plank 5, D. Ford 1, Dyer 1)

Creighton	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Watts, f	24	5-7	2-2	2-9	1	2	14
Tolliver, f	30	5-7	1-1	0-1	1	2	11
Porter, g	31	4-9	2-2	0-3	6	1	11
Mathies, g	36	2-4	2-4	0-2	6	1	7
Dotzler, g	35	5-7	3-4	0-3	4	0	15
Bishop	14	2-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	5
Sitzmann	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Nengsu	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Motz	15	2-5	0-0	1-3	0	0	6
Day	11	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	2
Totals	200	26-43	10-13	4-24	19	8	71

Team Pct.: FG - .605; FT - .769

3-Pt.: 9-14, .643 (Watts 2-2, Porter 1-3, Mathies 1-2, Dotzler 2-2, Bishop 1-1, Motz 2-4)

Blocks: 0

Turnovers: 19 (Tolliver 3, Porter 2, Mathies 4, Dotzler 3, Bishop 3, Nengsu 1, Motz 1, Day 2)

Steals: 13 (Watts 1, Tolliver 1, Porter 2, Mathies 4, Dotzler 3, Bishop 2)

Officials: Paul Janssen, Tim Hutchinson, David Warfel

Attendance: 12.882

Halftime Score: Creighton 27, ILLINOIS STATE 25

GAME 13

Wichita State Spurts Past Redbirds 56-47

NORMAL III. – Illinois State senior guard Dana Ford matched his career high with 16 points, added seven rebounds and four steals but a second-half shooting streak powered Wichita State to a 56-47 win over the Redbirds in a Missouri Valley Conference basketball game Sunday at Redbird Arena.

Illinois State fell victim to a 21-14 turnover deficit and made just seven of 14 free throws. Greg Dilligard added 14 points and four blocked shots for ISU. Paul Miller led WSU with 12 and Kyle Wilson had 11

Matt Braeuer and Dilligard exchanged baskets before the Shockers went on a 9-0 run from 13:01 to 10:54 which featured two layups by Ryan Martin. Wichita State made seven of its first nine shots and led 43-32. WSU retained that lead at 49-38 when the Redbird defense kicked in. The Shockers went 0-8 over the next four minutes as ISU got two baskets from Dana Ford, one from Khalif Ford and a free throw from Nedu Onyeuku to cut the lead to 49-45.

But Miller drained a long three-pointer from the left side with 3:45 remaining and WSU's lead was back to seven and the Shockers secured a victory.

Wichita State 56, ILLINOIS STATE 47

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Wichita State	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Cousinard, f	23	3-7	0-0	2-8	1	4	7
Wilson, f	34	2-4	5-6	0-4	2	2	11
Miller, c	29	5-12	2-2	0-4	1	3	12
Braeuer, g	25	2-5	0-0	0-1	2	2	4
Ogirri, g	32	2-9	2-2	0-1	3	0	8
Martin	18	4-6	0-0	1-3	0	4	8
Bradley	20	1-3	1-2	0-0	1	1	3
Young	19	1-3	0-0	1-2	1	2	3
Totals	200	20-49	10-12	8-29	11	18	56

Team Pct.: FG - .408; FT - .833

3-Pt.: 6-14, .429 (Cousinard 1-2, Wilson 2-3, Braeuer 0-2, Ogirri 2-4, Bradley 0-2, Young 1-1)

Blocks: 2 (Wilson 2)

Turnovers: 14 (Cousinard 3, Miller 3, Braeuer 3, Ogirri 3, Martin 1, Young 1)

Steals: 12 (Cousinard 4, Miller 3, Braeuer 3, Young 2)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	32	6-9	2-3	2-3	0	3	14
Carlwell, c	16	0-2	0-1	1-4	1	0	0
Onyeuku, g	29	2-4	1-2	1-3	3	2	7
Plank, g	26	0-6	0-0	0-1	3	1	0
D. Ford, g	38	7-12	0-2	0-7	0	2	16
Fortes	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
K. Ford	22	2-3	0-2	0-1	2	2	4
Vandello	17	1-1	4-4	0-3	0	2	6
Dyer	6	0-2	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Holtz	13	0-1	0-0	0-1	3	1	0
Totals	200	18-40	7-14	7-28	12	14	47

Team Pct.: FG - .450; FT - .500

3-Pt.: 4-13, .308 (Onyeuku 2-3, Plank 0-2, D. Ford 2-6, K. Ford 0-1, Holtz 0-1)

Blocks: 8 (Dilligard 4, Carlwell 2, Onyeuku 1, Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 21 (Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 1, Plank 4, D. Ford 6, K. Ford 6, Vandello 2)

Steals: 8 (Dilligard 1, Onyeuku 1, D. Ford 4, K. Ford 1, Holtz 1)

Officials: Ed Hightower, John Higgins, Tom Clark

Attendance: 5,289

Halftime Score: Wichita State 26, ILLINOIS STATE 21