

# Redbird Basketball

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ILLINOIS 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*	L, 54-70			
1/14		NORTHERN IOWA*	L, 52-67			
1/16		EVANSVILLE* (Valley-TV)	W, 65-57			
1/22	ര	Southern Illinois*	2.05 n m			

Bird Bit: Not only is Illinois State looking for its first road win this season, but its first win at Southern Illinois since 2001.

7:05 p.m.

INDIANA STATE\* (WTWO)

1/28	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS* (WS	IU) 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	@ eBay BracketBusters	TBA
2/22	MISSOURI STATE*	TBA
2/25	@ Wichita State*	TBA

@ State Farm MVC Tournament# TRA 3/2-5 All times listed are CST

Home games in CAPS \*Missouri Valley Conference game #Savvis Center • St. Louis, Mo.

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# ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS (7-9, 2-6)

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SALUKIS (13-5, 6-2) Sunday, January 22, 2006 • 2:05 p.m. CST SIU Arena (10.000) • Carbondale, III.

# THE GAME FACTS

The Probable Starters:

ILLINOIS STATE REDBIRDS ▶ ▶ ▶











▶ Forward

Labelle, Mo.

PPG

Jr.-2L • 6-8 • 230

Khalif Ford Neil Plank Dinma Odiakosa Brandon Holtz ▶ Guard ▶ Guard ▶ Forward Guard So.-1L • 6-1 • 181 Sr.-2L • 6-5 • 208 Fr.-HS • 6-8 • 240 Fr.-HS • 6-4 • 185 Diamond Bar, Calif Mt. Zion, III. Asaba, Nigeria Bloomington, III. RPG APG PPG RPG RPG BPG PPG RPG APG

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F	14	Randal Fa	alker		6-7	230	So.	St.	Louis, I	Mo.		7.2	6.9	1.2*
F	32	Matt Shav	N		6-7	225	So.	Ce	ntralia,	III.		9.6	5.5	1.0
G	3	Jamaal Ta	atum		6-2	175	Jr.	Jet	fferson (	City, Mo		15.5	2.6	3.7
G	10	Bryan Mu	llins		6-1	185	Fr.	Do	wners C	Grove, II	l.	6.1	1.7	2.9
G	15	Tony Your	ng		6-0	190	Jr.	Sc	haumbu	ırg, III.		11.5	3.1	1.7
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About The Game: For the sixth straight game, Illinois State will face an opponent coming off a loss. This time Southern Illinois is riding back-to-back road losses, after winning 11 straight. The Redbirds will have their work cut out for them to extend SIU's losing skid to three games as the two teams square off at SIU Arena, where the Salukis have won 31 straight games, tied for the second longest streak in the country.

Series History: Today's game marks the 126th meeting in the series. Southern Illinois owns a 67-58 advantage in the series that began in 1915 and the Salukis have won the last seven meetings, including the last four in

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 broadcasts, including Porter Moser's weekly call-in show can be heard via the Internet at GoRedbirds.com.

Television: None

### THE COACHES

Porter Moser (Creighton '90) owns an 88-75 (.540) career mark in his third season at Illinois State, including a 34-41 (.453) 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.

Chris Lowery (Southern Illinois '95) is in his second season season at his alma mater. He owns a 40-13 (.755) record with the Salukis, his only head coaching position. Last season, Lowery was voted as the 2004-05 Rawlings/Missouri Valley Conference Coach of the Year. He is assisted by Rodney Watson and Jack Owens.



## TALE OF THE TAPE



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W-L Record	7-9	13-5
Points Scored	57.6	61.5
Points Allowed	59.2	56.1
Scoring Margin	-1.6	+5.4
FG Percentage	41.4	41.6
Def. FG Percentage	39.6	39.7
3-pt. Percentage	31.0	32.6
Def. 3-pt. Percentage	35.6	30.8
FT Percentage	61.9	68.9
Offensive Rebounds	9.9	11.2
Total Rebounds	32.8	32.2
Rebounding Margin	-0.7	-0.3
Assists	13.4	12.1
Turnover Average	16.6	14.8
Turnover Margin	-0.1	+4.5
Steal Average	7.8	9.3
Block Average	4.8	3.4
Fouls	17.9	20.9

## WEEKLY MEDIA CONFERENCE

All start at 2:00 p.m. and are located in the Redbird Arena media room off the Southwest Loading Dock.

- 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	
Free Throws	34.3%
Rebounding	45.7%
Assists	
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 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SALUKIS

- Southern Illinois, located in Carbondale, Ill., was founded in 1869 and has an enrollment of 21,598.
- The Salukis return eight letterwinners, including two starters, from a team that finished 27-8 overall and finished tied for first in the Missouri Valley Conference with a 15-3 mark.
- In the last two defeats, SIU has surrendered 70-plus points in each loss. It marked the first time that SIU's opponents scored 70 or more points in the last 12 games.
- Jamaal Tatum leads the Salukis in scoring with 15.5 points per game, but he's shooting 36 percent from the field and 25.8 percent on threes. He also leads the team with 66 assists.
- The Salukis, which own the nation's second-longest homewinning streak at 31 games, last lost at SIU Arena on Jan. 2, 2004, when SIU fell 64-59, to Charlotte. The last Valley team to win in Carbondale was Evansville, 79-74, on Feb. 24, 2001.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS NUMERICAL ROSTER								
No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown		
_3	Jamaal Tatum	G	6-2	175	Jr.	Jefferson City, Mo.		
_4	Austin Brooks	G	5-10	165	Sr.	Evansville, Ind.		
_5	Jordan Armstrong	F	6-6	220	Fr.	Muncie, Ind.		
10	Bryan Mullins	G	6-1	185	Fr.	Downers Grove, III.		
12	Kyle Smithpeters	G	6-3	215	Sr.	Harrisburg, III.		
14	Randal Falker	F	6-7	230	So.	St. Louis, Mo.		
15	Tony Young	G	6-0	190	Jr.	Schaumburg, III.		
21	Christian Cornelius	F	6-7	205	Fr.	Oak Park, III.		
23	Jamaal Foster	F	6-10	210	So.	Columbia, Mo.		
24	Wesley Clemmons	G	6-3	195	Fr.	Indianapolis, Ind.		
32	Matt Shaw	F	6-7	225	So.	Centralia, III.		
35	Tony Boyle	F	6-8	230	Fr.	DeSoto, Mo.		
Hoad	Coook, Chris Lowery							

Head Coach: Chris Lowery

Assistant Coach: Rodney Watson, Jack Owens

# Southern Illinois Schedule 13-5 Overall, 6-2 Valley

ı	13-3 Overall, 0-2 v	ancy	
Date	Opponent	Score/Time	W/L
Nov 18	LOUSIANA-LAFAYETTE	65-47	W
Nov 24	vs. Monmouth (N.J.)^	68-80	L
Nov 25	at Alaska-Anchorage <sup>^</sup>	64-72	L
Nov 26	vs. Eastern Washington <sup>^</sup>	80-72	W
Nov 30	at Saint Louis	42-56	L
Dec 3	at Wyoming	57-53	W
Dec 10	KENT STATE	58-51	W
Dec 18	at Central Michigan	64-54	W
Dec 22	ARKANSAS-LITTLE ROCK	67-42	W
Dec 28	at Murray State	57-53	W
Dec 31	DRAKE*	64-50	W
Jan 2	WICHITA STATE*	58-49	W
Jan 5	at Indiana State*	55-49	W
Jan 8	BRADLEY*	67-55	W
Jan 11	EVANSVILLE*	66-38	W
Jan 14	at Drake*	47-46	W
Jan 16	at Northern Iowa*	65-71 (2ot)	L
Jan 19	at Missouri State*	63-71	L
Jan 22	ILLINOIS STATE*	Today	
Jan 24	CREIGHTON*	7:05 p.m.	
Jan 28	at Illinois State*	4:05 p.m.	
Feb 1	INDIANA STATE*	7:05 p.m.	
Feb 4	at Wichita State*	11:00 a.m.	
Feb 7	MISSOURI STATE*	8:05 p.m.	
Feb 11	at Creighton*	1:00 p.m.	
Feb 14	at Bradley*	7:35 p.m.	
Feb 18	BRACKET BUSTER	TBA	
Feb 21	at Evansville*	8:05 p.m.	
Feb 25	NORTHERN IOWA*	1:00 p.m.	
Mar 2-5	at State Farm Missouri Vall	ey	
	Conference Tournament	-	
* - Missour	i Valley Conference game.		

- Great Alaska Shootout.

# HOME GAMES IN CAPS

### REDBIRDS DOUBLE OVER

In ISU's 65-57 win over Evansville Monday night, for only the second time this season (Cal State-Northridge was the other), the Redbirds had four players score in double figures. The 65 points also marked the first 60-plus point scoring effort in the last eight games, with their 69 points at Cal State-Northridge being the last.

### DILLIGARD JOINS THE CENTURY CLUB

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 ISU. In his third season, Dilligard now ranks No. 5 in career blocked shots with 100, becoming only the fifth player in school history to post 100 or more career blocks. He also has 38 blocks on the season, including 14 in the last four games. His season total is tied for seventh in ISU history, equaling his season total from last year.

# RIGHT ON KU

Lately, the Redbirds have been getting an offensive spark from senior Nedu Onyeuku. He is currently second on the team in scoring with 8.8 points per game, including 9.5 in league play. The athletic swingman has six doubledigit scoring games on the season, including a pair of back-to-back 14-point efforts.

## DILLY DOUBLES DOWN

For the second time this season and the third time in his career, junior Greg Dilligard posted a double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds in the win over Evansville Monday night. It marked the 15th time in his career, ninth this season, scoring double-digit points and the sixth time registering 10 or more boards.

### **BLOCK PARTY**

The Redbirds are averaging 4.8 blocked shots per game as a team, led by Greg Dilligard's 38 swats. With 76 blocked shots in 16 games, ISU leads the Missouri Valley Conference in blocked shots, while Dilligard ranks second with 2.4 blocks per game. At this pace, the Redbirds would post the second best blocking average in school history, trailing only the 1976-77 team which averaged 4.9 blocks per game.

## **GONE IN 60 POINTS**

It's not the seguel to Nicholas Cage's car thief film, but it has proven to be the recipe for success, or lack there of, for the Redbirds this season. The formula is easy to follow. Opponents score less than 60 points, the Redbirds are 7-1. ISU foes score 60 or more, the 'Birds are 0-8. It's that simple.



### 188 GAMES WITH A TREY ON THE BOARD

ISU enters the game at Southern Illinois with at least one made three in 188 straight games. The last time ISU didn't sink a trey was an 82-43 loss at Creighton on Dec. 12, 1999.

### WALKING THE PLANK

It isn't the sole reason for defeat, but the 'Birds appear to go how senior **Neil Plank** goes. In ISU's seven wins this season, Plank is leading the team with 11.9 points per game, while shooting 49 percent (27-for-55) from the field. In the nine losses, Plank is averaging 5.9 points per game and shooting 25.7 percent (19-for-74) from the floor.

### 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 44.1 percent against Valley foes.

### THIRTY SOMETHING

That's what Illinois State opponents are shooting in Redbird victories - 33.7 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.

### **BUILT FORD TOUGH**

After starting the first eight games of the season, point guard **Khalif Ford** was demoted to third string and saw his playing time dwindle. However on Monday, Ford returned to the ISU starting line-up with a vengeance, posting his best game in an Illinois State uniform. Ford equaled his career high in points with 11, while registering a career best seven rebounds. He also dished out a pair of assists, while shooting 4-for-5 from the floor.

### 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 16 games, Ford leads the Redbirds in thefts with 37 and is on pace to finish the season with 69, 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 59.2 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 59.2 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.

### **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. 22, 2005 – Just last season in Omaha, Neb., Trey Guidry fired a three-pointer at the buzzer to force overtime against Creighton. The 'Birds went on to win 82-77, thanks to a career-high 30 points from Guidry. Lorenzo Gordon added 19 points and Vince Greene tossed in 10. The victory was also ISU's first at Creighton in seven seasons and Porter Moser's first over his alma mater. Illinois State owns an 8-3 record on this date during the Division I era.

### THE LAST TIME THEY MET

### Birds Can't Take Advantage of Home Court

NORMAL, III. — Illinois State placed three players in double figures but it wasn't enough to top league-leading Southern Illinois on Wednesday night as the Redbirds fell 66-59 at Redbird Arena in front of 7,547.

### Southern Illinois 66, ILLINOIS STATE 59

February 16, 2005 • Redbird Arena

S. Illinois	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Shaw, f	22	6-10	0-0	3-6	1	3	12
Warren, c	21	1-3	0-0	0-3	1	4	2
Brooks, g	38	5-13	2-3	4-10	5	2	13
Tatum, g	32	4-13	4-5	2-5	2	3	15
Hairston	24	2-5	7-8	0-5	3	0	11
Dale	14	0-1	0-0	0-2	1	1	0
Owen	17	2-4	0-0	0-0	0	1	4
Falker	19	1-2	0-0	2-4	0	1	2
Young	13	3-4	1-2	0-0	0	3	7
Totals	200	24-55	14-18	12-37	13	18	66

Team Pct.: FG - .436; FT - .368

3-Pt.: 4-14, .286 (Brooks 1-3, Tatum 3-8, Hairston 0-2, Young 0-1)

Blocks: 5 (Warren 2, Brooks 1, Falker 2)

Turnovers: 8 (Warren 1, Brooks 2, Tatum 1, Dale 1, Falker 1, Team 2)

Steals: 5 (Brooks 3, Hairston 1, Young 1)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Gordon, f	32	5-10	3-5	3-7	4	3	13
Dilligard, f	19	1-1	1-2	2-3	0	2	3
Alexander, g	32	4-10	0-0	2-9	1	2	12
Greene, g	33	3-7	0-0	0-1	3	1	8
Guidry, g	32	4-18	2-2	0-2	1	2	11
Onyeuku	11	2-4	0-0	1-2	0	1	5
K. Ford	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	2	0
Plank	21	1-4	3-4	2-7	2	1	5
D. Ford	5	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	0
Carlwell	8	1-1	0-2	1-1	0	0	2
Totals	200	21-57	9-15	14-36	13	16	59

Team Pct.: FG - .368; FT - .600

3-Pt.: 8-25, .320 (Alexander 4-10, Greene 2-3, Guidry 1-7, Onyeuku 1-3, Plank 0-2)

Blocks: 5 (Dilligard 1, Guidry 1, Onyeuku 2, Plank 1) Turnovers: 11 (Gordon 2, Alexander 2, Guidry 6, K. Ford 1)

Steals: 2 (Greene 1, Guidry 1)

Officials: Gerry Pollard, Randy Heimerman, Frank Spencer

Attendance: 7,547

Halftime Score: Southern Illinois 30, ILLINOIS STATE 24



# CHART CLIMBERS

CHART CLIMDLES	
Season Blocked Shots Leaders	
1. Jeff Wilkins (1976-77)	103
2. LeRoy Watkins (1998-99)	49
3. Joe Galvin (1977-78)	48
4. Bill Braksick (1985-86)	46
Joe Galvin (1978-79)	46
6. Mike VandeGarde (1991-92)	
7. Greg Dilligard (2004-05)	38
Greg Dilligard (2005-06)	
Career Blocked Shots Leaders	
1. LeRoy Watkins (1996-99)	
Mike VandeGarde (1990-94)	
3. Joe Galvin (1976-80)	132
4. Jeff Wilkins (1974-77)	103
5. Greg Dilligard (2004-)	100
Season Steals Leaders	
1. Todd Starks (1986-87)	
6. Todd Wemhoener (1991-92)	
Ron Jones (1978-79)	
8. Richard Thomas (1992-93)	
9. Richard Thomas (1989-90)	48
Rickie Johnson (1984-85)	
Dana Ford (2005-06)	37

# CAREER STARTS/GAMES

		Illinoi	s St.
No.	Player	GP	GS
50	Greg Dilligard	75	68
25	Neil Plank	73	32
43	Dana Ford	93	27
5	Khalif Ford	36	9
31	Michael Vandello	16	9
3	Nedu Onyeuku	20	8
42	Dinma Odiakosa	11	4
51	Ronnie Carlwell	49	2
32	Levi Dyer	24	1
45	Brandon Holtz	16	1
14	Travis Wallace	15	0
1	Roberto Fortes	10	0
21	Eric Vianney	8	0
23	Mark Kruse	7	0

# 2005-06 VALLEY STANDINGS

		VALLEY			OVERALL				
		W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT		
1.	Northern Iowa	6	2	.750	16	3	.842		
	Wichita State	6	2	.750	15	4	.789		
	Creighton	6	2	.750	12	4	.750		
	Southern Illinois	6	2	.750	13	5	.722		
5.	Missouri State	5	3	.625	12	4	.750		
6.	Drake	4	4	.500	11	8	.579		
7.	Bradley	3	5	.375	9	7	.562		
8.	Illinois State	2	6	.250	7	9	.438		
9.	Indiana State	1	7	.125	8	8	.500		
	Evansville	1	7	.125	5	11	.312		
	*Through Jan. 19 games								

# **PRONOUNCIATIONS**

Levi Dyer	LEE-vye
Khalif Ford	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 Viannov	VEE ub noo

# 2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE RESULTS

RECORD:		OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTI	RAL	
ALL GAME	S	7-9	7-3	0-6	0-0		
CONFERE	NCE	2-6	2-2	0-4	0-0		
NON-CON	FERENCE	5-3	5-1	0-2	0-0		
DATE	TIME	ODDONENT		COORE	ATTEND	LUCULDOINTO	LIIOU DEDOUNDO
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 CST	*at Northern Iowa		47-60 L	4014	(12)DILLIGARD,Greg	(5)PLANK,Neil
01-05-06	7:07 pm CST	<ul> <li>* at Creighton</li> </ul>		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
01-11-06	7:05 pm CST	*at Missouri State		54-70 L	6140	(9)VANDELLO,Michael	(7)DILLIGARD, Greg
						(9)PLANK,Neil	(7)VANDELLO,Michael
							(7)PLANK,Neil
01-14-06	4:05 pm CST	*NORTHERN IOWA		52-67 L	5336	(14)ONYEUKU,Nedu	(10)DILLIGARD,Greg
01-16-06	7:07 pm CST	* EVANSVILLE	W	65-57	4143	(14)ONYEUKU,Nedu	(10)DILLIGARD,Greg

<sup>\* -</sup> Conference game

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME	10	51428	5143
AWAY	6	37923	6321
NEUTRAL	0	0	0
TOTAL	16	89351	5585

# 2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE NUMERICAL ROSTER

<u>INO.</u>	Name	POS.	Ht.	VVT.	CIEX.	Hometown (Previous Schools)
11_	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 Science)
25	Neil Plank	G/F	6-5	208	Sr2L	Mt. Zion, III. (Mt. Zion/Wisconsin)
31	Michael Vandello	F	6-7	220	FrHS	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)
32	Levi Dyer	С	6-11	220	So1L	Eaton, Colo. (Eaton)
42	Dinma Odiakosa	F	6-8	240	FrHS	Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School)
43	Dana Ford	G	6-4	195	Sr3L	Tamms, III. (Egyptian)
45	Brandon Holtz	G	6-4	185	FrHS	Bloomington, III. (Bloomington)
50	Greg Dilligard	F	6-8	230	Jr2L	Labelle, Mo. (Highland)
51	Ronnie Carlwell	С	6-11	258	So1L	Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)
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Head Coach: Porter Moser

Assistant Coaches: Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson, Brian Barone



# 2005-06 ILLINOIS STATE STATISTICS

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##	Player	GP	GS	Min	Avg	FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA P	ct	Off	Def	Tot	Avg	PF	FO	Α	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
50	DILLIGARD,Greg	16	16	471	29.4	79	138	.572	0	0	.000	13	31 .4	419	39	56	95	5.9	45	3	22	27	38	15	171	10.7
	Conference-Only	8	8	250	31.3	43	82	.524	0	0	.000	5	12 .4	417	22	31	53	6.6	24	2	15	16	21	8	91	11.4
03	ONYEUKU,Nedu	16	7	369	23.1	50	100	.500	12	34	.353	29	48 .6	504	11	32	43	2.7	34	1	20	34	4	15	141	8.8
	Conference-Only	8	7	196	24.5	25	56	.446	7	20	.350	19	29 .6	555	6	15	21	2.6	20	1	11	15	2	9	76	9.5
25	PLANK,Neil	16	16	478	29.9	46	129	.357	16	55	.291	28	43 .6	551	12	51	63	3.9	21	0	56	43	2	14	136	8.5
	Conference-Only	8	8	226	28.3	18	60	.300	5	24	.208	3	9 .3	333	5	21	26	3.3	11	0	20	26	0	8	44	5.5
43	FORD,Dana	16	15	445	27.8	50	130	.385	16	58	.276	6	11 .5	545	7	64	71	4.4	32	1	28	29	9	37	122	7.6
	Conference-Only	8	7	233	29.1	22	59	.373	6	28	.214	0	2 .0	000	2	31	33	4.1	11	0	10	15	5	21	50	6.3
31	VANDELLO, Michael	16	9	358	22.4	27	74	.365	6	19	.316	24	30 .8	300	22	36	58	3.6	41	1	21	32	3	11	84	5.3
	Conference-Only	8	2	172	21.5	13	34	.382	4	11	.364	17	22 .7	773	9	20	29	3.6	24	1	6	21	1	5	47	5.9
05	FORD,Khalif	16	9	374	23.4	26	69	.377	8	24	.333	21	35 .6	500	6	32	38	2.4	45	2	42	47	2	10	81	5.1
	Conference-Only	8	1	159	19.9	12	28	.429	3	10	.300	6	13 .4	462	3	17	20	2.5	22	1	17	14	0	4	33	4.1
45	HOLTZ,Brandon	16	1	198	12.4	26	60	.433	12	37	.324	4	8 .5	500	4	19	23	1.4	14	0	6	9	1	10	68	4.3
	Conference-Only	8	1	120	15.0	15	34	.441	8	21	.381	2	4 .5	500	1	11	12	1.5	9	0	4	3	1	6	40	5.0
32	DYER,Levi	15	1	131	8.7	10	39	.256	7	22	.318	15	16 .9	938	7	11	18	1.2	15	0	5	4	2	2	42	2.8
	Conference-Only	7	0	55	7.9	4	18	.222	1	7	.143	3	4 .7	750	6	4	10	1.4	5	0	3	2	1	2	12	1.7
23	KRUSE,Mark	7	0	32	4.6	6	19	.316	2	10	.200	0	0 .0	000	4	3	7	1.0	1	0	1	0	0	2	14	2.0
	Conference-Only	3	0	6	2.0	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0 .0	000	2	0	2	0.7	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	0.7
21	VIANNEY,Eric	8	0	29	3.6	4	7	.571	3	4	.750	2	3 .6	667	0	4	4	0.5	7	0	1	4	0	1	13	1.6
	Conference-Only	4	0	10	2.5	1	3	.333	0	1	.000	0	0 .0	000	0	0	0	0.0	4	0	0	0	0	1	2	0.5
01	FORTES,Roberto	11	0	75	6.8	6	21	.286	5	18	.278	0	0 .0	000	0	3	3	0.3	8	0	6	7	0	2	17	1.5
	Conference-Only	7	0	54	7.7	5	17	.294	4	15	.267	0	0 .0	000	0	3	3	0.4	4	0	3	5	0	2	14	2.0
42	ODIAKOSA,Dinma	11	4	89	8.1	6	22	.273	0	0	.000	4	11 .3	364	5	10	15	1.4	12	0	1	8	1	2	16	1.5
	Conference-Only	5	4	62	12.4	5	15	.333	0	0	.000	2	5 .4	400	2	8	10	2.0	9	0	1	5	1	1	12	2.4
51	CARLWELL,Ronnie	16	2	155	9.7	5	15	.333	0	0	.000	5	9 .5	556	13	20	33	2.1	11	0	4	12	14	3	15	0.9
	Conference-Only	8	2	68	8.5	3	8	.375	0	0	.000	0	3 .0	000	6	7	13	1.6	2	0	1	7	6	1	6	0.8
14	WALLACE, Travis	7	0	21	3.0	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	2	2 1.0	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 .0	000	0	1	1	0.3	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
TM	TEAM														29	24	53	3.3	1			7				
	Conference-Only														12	9	21	2.6	1			2				
	Total	16				341	824	.414	87	281	.310	153	247 .6	619	159	366	<i>525</i>	32.8	287	8	215	266	76	124	922	57.6
	Conference-Only	8				167	416	.401	38	137	.277	57	103 .5	553	76	178	254	31.8	146	5	93	132	38	70	429	53.6
	Opponents	16				319	805	.396	84	236	.356	225	308 .7	731	161	375	536	33.5	268	2	184	264	45	126	947	59.2
	Conference-Only	8				168	381	.441	44	116	.379	120	163 .7	736	56	200	256	32.0	124	0	99	123	20	71	500	62.5

 SCORE BY PERIODS:
 1st
 2nd
 OT
 Total

 Illinois State
 414
 499
 9
 922

 Opponents
 415
 513
 19
 947

DEADBALL REBOUNDS:OFFDEFTOTALIllinois State35136Opponents42749



# 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	twice	40	vs. Wichita State (01-08-06)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.500 (24-48)	vs. Grambling State (11-29-05)	.323 (21-65)	vs. Northern Iowa (01-14-06)
	.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)
			2	vs. Evansville (01-16-06)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	31	at Missouri State (01-11-06)	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	23	vs. Evansville (01-16-06)	1	twice
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	37	vs. Evansville (01-16-06)	2	twice
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.773 (17-22)	vs. Western Michigan (11-26-05)	.400 (4-10)	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05)
REBOUNDS	44	vs. Evansville (01-16-06)	25	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)
ASSISTS	19	vs. IPFW (12-06-05)	8	at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
	19	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)		
STEALS	13	at Missouri State (01-11-06)	1	at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
BLOCKED SHOTS	8	vs. Wichita State (01-08-06)	2	three times
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	25	vs. Evansville (01-16-06)	7	at Missouri State (01-11-06)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.714 (5-7)	at Missouri State (01-11-06)	.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	twice	24	at Creighton (01-05-06)
ASSISTS	19	at Creighton (01-05-06)	5	vs. Evansville (01-16-06)
STEALS	13	at Creighton (01-05-06)	4	vs. Indianapolis (11-19-05
			4	vs. UW-Green Bay (12-03-05)
BLOCKED SHOTS	7	twice	0	twice
TURNOVERS	27	at Cal State-Northridge (12-7-05)	9	at Northern Iowa (1-2-06)
FOULS	28	vs. Evansville (01-16-06)	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	11	DILLIGARD, Greg at Indiana State (12-22-05)	8	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)		DILLIGARD, Greg vs Grambling State (11-29-05)	, ,	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)	4	AHEARN, Blake at Missouri State (01-11-06)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	8	PLANK, Neil vs Western Michigan (11-26-05)	11	HOLSINGER, Jason vs. Evansville (01-16-06)
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	9	ONYEUKU, Nedu vs. Evansville (01-16-06)	11	EFEVBERHA, Mike at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
			11	MOSS, David at Indiana State (12-22-05)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS		ONYEUKU, Nedu vs. Evansville (01-16-06)	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)	14	COLEMAN, Eric vs. Northern Iowa (01-14-06)
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	nine times
BLOCKED SHOTS	4	DILLIGARD, Greg vs. Wichita State (01-08-06)	3	HICKS, Eric at Cincinnati (11-22-05)
		DILLIGARD, Greg at Missouri State (01-11-06)	3	SHEWMAKE, Thomas at Cal State-Northridge (12-07-05)
		DILLIGARD, Greg vs. Northern Iowa (01-14-06)	3	TOLLIVER, Anthony vs. Creighton (12-31-05)
		,	3	STOUT,Grant vs. Northern Iowa (01-14-06)





Indiana State\*

S. Illinois\*

at Drake\*

Bradley\* Drake\*

at Bradley\*

at Evansville\*

at Bracket Buster Missouri State\*

at Wichita State\*

at S. Illinois\* Indiana State\* S. Illinois\* at Bradley\* at Evansville\* at Drake\* Bradley' Drake\* at Bracket Buster Missouri State\* at Wichita 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*	4-1-0	5-7-2*	3-3-1	3-2-0*	0-3-2	6-1-1	8-0-0
Northern Iowa*	0-1-0	6-10-1*	2-1-0	2-4-4*	9-4-3	0-0-0	10-1-0
Evansville*	0-1-0	10-10-2*	2-2-2	6-5-1	11-7-2*	0-0-2	4-2-0*
at S. Illinois*							

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
at Missouri State*	DNP	0-0-0	7-1-1*	9-7-3*	9-7-0*	DNP	DNP
Northern Iowa*	2-2-1	5-4-0*	14-1-0*	2-2-1*	0-1-0	0-0-0	DNP
Evansville*	DNP	4-2-0*	14-7-0	4-0-1	10-5-0	DNP	DNP

## **SUPERLATIVES**

### STARTING LINEUPS - F, F, C, G, G (6):

- 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 (1-2) W - Creighton
- L at Indiana State, Northern Iowa
- Dilligard, Carlwell, Onyeuku, Plank, D. Ford (0-2) L at Northern Iowa, Wichita State
- Vandello, Dilligard, Onyeuku, Plank, D. Ford (0-2) - at Creighton, at Missouri State
- Odiakosa, Dilligard, K. Ford, Plank, Holtz (1-0) W - Evansville

### FIRST POINTS:

Dilligard 6, Plank 3, Onyeuku 2, Odiakosa 2, K. Ford 1, D. Ford 1,

### DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORERS (34):

Dilligard 9, Plank 8, D. Ford 6, Onyeuku 6, Holtz 2, K. Ford 2,

### DOUBLE-DIGIT REBOUNDING (3):

Dilligard 3

### LEADING SCORER:

Plank 6, Dilligard 5, Onyeuku 4, D. Ford 2, Vandello 1

### LEADING REBOUNDER:

Dilligard 8, Plank 5, D. Ford 3, K. Ford 1, Vandello 2

### DOUBLE-DOUBLES (2):

Dilligard 2

### DUNKS (19):

Dilligard 12, Onyeuku 6, Fortes 1

### FIRST SUBSTITUTION:

Carlwell 7, Holtz 3, Vandello 3, Onyeuku 2, Fortes 1

### 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



### **BENCH SCORING (ISU-OPP)** Indianapolis ......21-11 Western Michigan......15-7 at Cal St.-Northridge......28-36 Creighton\*......5-18 at Northern Iowa\*.....23-5 at Creighton\*......9-13 Northern Iowa\*.....23-12 at S. Illinois\* Indiana State\* S. Illinois\* at Bradley\* at Evansville\* at Drake\* Bradley\* Drake\* at Bracket Buster Missouri State\*

# 2005-06 VALLEY RANKINGS

at Wichita State\*

TEAM

Through Jan. 20 (All Games) 

3rd	59.2
9th	1.6
10th	61.9
10th	41.4
2nd	39.6
9th	31.0
8th	35.6
8th	32.8
5th	33.5
7th	0.7
1st	
9th	13.44
5th	7.75
9th	0.12
10th	0.81
8th	9.94
8th	
9th	5.44
REBOUNDING	
14th	5.9
GOAL PERCENTAGE	
5th	57.2
ASSISTS	
t6th	3.50
STEALS	
4th	2.31
SLOCKED SHOTS	
2nd	2.38
t7th	
ENSIVE REBOUNDS	
t6th	2.44
	3rd

# THE LAST TIME 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
OpponentGrant Stout (15), UNI, 1-3-05	OpponentMissouri State (.500, 23-46), 1-11-06
A player had a double-double	A team made 10 3-point field goals
ILLINOIS STGreg Dilligard (10p, 10r) vs. Evansville, 1-16-06	ILLINOIS STat Cal State Northridge (12-29), 12-7-05
OpponentEric Coleman (13p, 14r), Northern Iowa, 1-14-06	OpponentWichita State (10-20), 2-10-05
Grant Stout (10p, 12r), Northern Iowa, 1-14-06	
	A team had 25 3-point field goal attempts
A player made five 3-pointers	ILLINOIS STat Missouri State (9-31), 1-11-06
ILLINOIS STGregg Alexander (5-6) at UW-Green Bay, 2-19-05	OpponentEvansville (6-25), 1-16-06
OpponentEric Gray (6-8), Indiana State, 1-19-05	A team shot 50 percent on 3-pointers
A player made 10 free throws	ILLINOIS STvs. IPFW (.571, 8-14), 12-6-05
ILLINOIS STLorenzo Gordon (10-14) vs. St. John's, 12-4-04	OpponentMissouri State (.714, 5-7), 1-11-06
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David Moss (11-13), Indiana State, 12-22-05	A team made 30 free throws
	ILLINOIS STvs. Florida A&M (38-48), 11-23-03
A player had 15 free throw attempts	OpponentIndiana State (33-43), 12-22-05
ILLINOIS STTarise Bryson (12-15) at Purdue, 3-14-01	
OpponentMike Efevberha (11-15), CS-Northridge, 12-7-05	A team had 25 assists
	ILLINOIS STvs. Hofstra (25), 11-25-01
A player had 10 assists	OpponentEvansville (26), 2-11-04
ILLINOIS STVince Greene (10) at Indiana State, 1-19-05	A team had 15 steals
OpponentMartell Bailey (12), Illinois-Chicago, 12-13-03	ILLINOIS STvs. Bellarmine (16), 12-2-03
A player had five steals	OpponentCreighton (18), 12-12-99
ILLINOIS STNeil Plank (5) at Creighton, 1-5-06	
OpponentDeven Mitchell (6), Missouri State 2-26-05	A team had 10 blocked shots
	ILLINOIS STvs. Evansville (10), 1-17-79
A player blocked five shots	OpponentNorthern Illinois (11), 11-26-03
ILLINOIS STGreg Dilligard (7) at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04	
OpponentBradley Strickland (5), Evansville, 1-9-05	ı

# ILLINOIS STATE'S 2005-06 RECORD WHEN

Overall	7-9
Missouri Valley Conference	
Playing Nationally Ranked Teams	0-0
Leading at the Half	6-0
Trailing at the Half	1-8
Tied at the Half	0-1
Leading with 5:00 to Play	5-0
Trailing with 5:00 to Play	1-9
Tied with 5:00 to Play	1-0
In Overtime	0-0
ISU out-rebounds opponent	5-1
Opponents out-rebound ISU	
ISU has 15 or fewer Turnovers	4-3
ISU has fewer Turnovers than opp	
ISU shoots 50 Percent or Better	2-0
ISU shoots 40 Percent or Better	
Opponents shoot less than 40 Percent	5-1
Opponents shoot 40 Percent or Better	2-8
ISU shoots better than Opponent	7-2
Opponent shoots better than ISU	
ISU has more FG Attempts	2-6
Opponent has more FG Attempts	
ISU Shoots better than 35 Percent on 3's	3-3
ISU Attempts more 3's	2-8
Opponents Attempt more 3's	5-1
ISU has more FT Attempts	
Opponent has more FT Attempts	
ISU Scores 100 or More	
ISU Scores 90 or More	0-0
ISU Scores 80 or More	0-0
ISU Scores 70 or More	0-0



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2005-06 GA	Final	FG	FG%	3FG	3%	FT	FT%	O-D-T Reb.	Fouls	Assists	Turnovers	Blocks	Steals	Halftime
Indianapolis at ILLINOIS STATE	50 <b>54</b>	17-55 <b>22-57</b>	30.9 38.6	4-16 <b>6-19</b>	25.0 <b>31.6</b>	12-12 <b>4-10</b>	100.0 40.0	15-26-41 14-23-37	16 10	8 15	15 12	1 6	4 9	21 30
ILLINOIS STATE at Cincinnati	<b>59</b> 76	<b>20-51</b> 25-61	<b>39.2</b> 41.0	<b>9-22</b> 8-20	<b>40.9</b> 40.0	<b>10-14</b> 18-26	<b>71.4</b> 69.2	<b>11-22-33</b> 16-18-34	<b>25</b> 17	<b>16</b> 15	<b>26</b> 13	<b>2</b> 7	<b>1</b> 12	<b>34</b> 43
Western Michigan at ILLINOIS STATE	47 <b>64</b>	16-51 <b>21-50</b>	31.4 <b>42.0</b>	3-13 <b>5-20</b>	23.1 <b>25.0</b>	12-19 <b>17-22</b>	63.2 77.3	15-20-35 <b>11-25-36</b>	21 <b>17</b>	9 <b>11</b>	17 <b>12</b>	4 7	5 <b>7</b>	20 <b>34</b>
Grambling State at ILLINOIS STATE	50 <b>62</b>	21-57 <b>24-48</b>	36.8 <b>50.0</b>	3-15 <b>4-11</b>	20.0 <b>36.4</b>	5-12 <b>10-18</b>	41.7 55.6	12-19-31 <b>8-28-36</b>	18 <b>15</b>	9 <b>17</b>	19 <b>21</b>	0 <b>4</b>	11 <b>6</b>	16 <b>26</b>
UW-Green Bay at ILLINOIS STATE	51 <b>59</b>	18-62 <b>18-42</b>	29.0 <b>42.9</b>	6-17 <b>3-15</b>	35.3 <b>20.0</b>	9-12 <b>20-27</b>	75.0 <b>74.1</b>	16-23-39 <b>5-29-34</b>	20 <b>14</b>	9 15	11 <b>13</b>	2 <b>6</b>	4 6	20 <b>26</b>
IPFW at ILLINOIS STATE	36 <b>6</b> 5	14-45 <b>22-46</b>	31.1 <b>47.8</b>	6-17 <b>8-14</b>	35.3 <b>57.1</b>	2-7 <b>13-19</b>	28.6 <b>68.4</b>	7-18-25 <b>11-26-37</b>	17 <b>17</b>	9 <b>19</b>	20 <b>16</b>	2 <b>4</b>	6 11	13 <b>30</b>
Georgia Southern at ILLINOIS STATE	64 <b>61</b>	21-51 <b>20-49</b>	41.2 40.8	6-13 <b>2-14</b>	46.2 14.3	16-18 <b>19-28</b>	88.9 <b>67.9</b>	10-23-33 <b>12-21-33</b>	24 <b>16</b>	14 <b>10</b>	19 <b>17</b>	4 6	7 5	31 <b>20</b>
ILLINOIS STATE at Cal StNorthridge	<b>69</b> 73	<b>27-65</b> 19-42	<b>41.5</b> 45.2	<b>12-29</b> 4-9	<b>41.4</b> 44.4	<b>3-6</b> 31-39	<b>50.0</b> 79.5	<b>11-14-25</b> 14-28-42	<b>27</b> 11	<b>19</b> 12	<b>17</b> 27	<b>3</b> 5	<b>9</b> 6	<b>30</b> 30
ILLINOIS STATE at Indiana State*	5 <b>9</b> 69	<b>24-58</b> 17-47	<b>41.4</b> 36.2	<b>3-15</b> 2-12	<b>20.0</b> 16.7	<b>8-17</b> 33-43	<b>47.1</b> 76.7	<b>9-27-36</b> 8-30-38	<b>31</b> 19	<b>15</b> 11	<b>16</b> 13	5 1	<b>5</b> 5	<b>22</b> 28
Creighton* at ILLINOIS STATE	50 <b>53</b>	20-43 <b>21-42</b>	46.5 <b>50.0</b>	8-14 <b>5-11</b>	57.1 <b>45.5</b>	2-9 <b>6-11</b>	22.2 54.5	5-20-25 <b>4-22.26</b>	15 <b>12</b>	15 <b>14</b>	19 <b>16</b>	3 <b>6</b>	11 8	28 <b>23</b>
ILLINOIS STATE at Northern Iowa*	<b>47</b> 60	<b>20-48</b> 22-46	<b>41.7</b> 47.8	<b>6-17</b> 3-12	<b>35.3</b> 25.0	<b>1-2</b> 13-19	<b>50.0</b> 68.4	<b>8-19-27</b> 8-19-27	<b>16</b> 8	<b>8</b> 12	<b>15</b> 9	<b>2</b> 2	<b>6</b> 11	<b>16</b> 29
ILLINOIS STATE at Creighton*	<b>52</b> 71	<b>23-54</b> 26-43	<b>42.6</b> 60.5	5- <b>20</b> 9-14	<b>25.0</b> 64.3	<b>1-2</b> 10-13	<b>50.0</b> 76.9	<b>12-15-27</b> 4-20-24	<b>13</b> 8	<b>14</b> 19	<b>21</b> 19	<b>3</b> 0	<b>10</b> 13	<b>25</b> 27
Wichita State* at ILLINOIS STATE	56 <b>47</b>	20-49 <b>18-40</b>	40.8 <b>45.0</b>	6-14 <b>4-13</b>	42.9 <b>30.8</b>	10-12 <b>7-14</b>	83.3 <b>50.0</b>	8-21-29 <b>7-21-28</b>	18 <b>14</b>	11 <b>12</b>	14 <b>21</b>	2 8	12 8	26 21
ILLINOIS STATE at Missouri State*	5 <b>4</b> 70	<b>20-60</b> 23-46	<b>33.3</b> 50.0	<b>9-31</b> 5-7	<b>29.0</b> 71.4	<b>5-9</b> 19-24	<b>55.6</b> 79.2	<b>12-20-32</b> 6-29-35	<b>22</b> 12	<b>10</b> 14	<b>15</b> 18	7 2	<b>13</b> 8	<b>26</b> 30
Northern Iowa* at ILLINOIS STATE	67 <b>52</b>	20-46 <b>21-65</b>	43.5 <b>32.3</b>	5-18 <b>4-21</b>	27.8 <b>19.0</b>	22-27 <b>6-11</b>	81.5 <b>54.5</b>	6-36-42 <b>12-22-34</b>	16 22	12 <b>10</b>	16 <b>13</b>	7 5	6 11	33 18
Evansville* at ILLINOIS STATE*	57 <b>65</b>	20-61 <b>20-49</b>	32.8 <b>40.8</b>	6-25 <b>2-9</b>	24.0 <b>22.2</b>	11-16 23-37	68.8 <b>62.2</b>	11-25-36 <b>12-32-44</b>	28 <b>16</b>	5 <b>10</b>	15 <b>15</b>	3 2	5 <b>9</b>	20 <b>33</b>
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ILLINOIS STATE at Bracket Buster														
Missouri State* at ILLINOIS STATE														
LLINOIS STATE at Wichita State*														





Last Time Out: Held scoreless in four minutes of action with one rebound and one assist.

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### **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 - 4 at Missouri State, 1-11-06 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	0-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
at Missouri State*	7	2-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	2	1	4
Northern Iowa*	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Evansville*	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	1	0	0	0

at Southern Illinois'

Indiana State\*

Southern Illinois\* at Bradley\*

at Evansville

at Drake\*

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at Bracket Buster% Missouri State'

at Wichita State\*

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Last Time Out: Registered his third career double-double with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

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### **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, three times Steals - 3 vs. Western Michigan, 11-26-05

### **UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

· Collected his second double-double of the season and third of his career with 10 points and 10 boards against Evansville.

Minutes - 36, twice

- Notched 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 100.
- · Owns 15 double digit scoring games in his career.
- One of the top defensive players in the Missouri Valley Conference.

### 2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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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	
at Missouri State*	26	2-6	0-0	1-1	2-7	5	2	2	4	2	5	
Northern Iowa*	29	3-10	0-0	0-0	5-10	2	1	4	4	2	6	
Evansville*	27	5-11	0-0	0-3	4-10	2	2	0	2	0	10	
at Southern Illinois*												

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at Wichita State

BOLD indicates games started \* Missouri Valley Conference game





Last Time Out: Sank a pair of free throws and finished with two points and two rebounds in nine minutes.

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### **CAREER BESTS:**

Points - 9 at Cincinnati, 11-22-05

Rebounds - 3, twice Assists - 2, twice 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, three times

Assists - 2, twice

Blocked Shots - 1, twice

Steals - 1, twice

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

### **UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Has only made one of his last 10 treys (.100).
- 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	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
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	- coad	ch's dec	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*	14	1-7	0-3	1-2	3-3	1	1	1	0	1	3
Northern Iowa*	5	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Evansville*	9	0-1	0-0	2-2	1-2	1	2	0	0	0	2

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at Evansville\*

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Last Time Out: Scratched from the starting line-up for the first time this season. Posted six points and five boards.

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### **CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 16, twice Rebounds - 8 at Southern Illinois, 1-4-03 Assists - 4 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-14-06 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 - 4 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-14-06

Blocked Shots - 2, twice

Steals - 4, four times

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

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### **UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- · Has only made four of his last 20 three-point attempts (.200).
- 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 play ranked at No. 6 on ESPN's "Plays of the Day," and No. 8 on "Plays of the Week."

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• The longest tenured Redbird on the roster.

### 2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	IVI	FG-A	3FG-A	FI-A	U-R	PΕ	А	10	BLK	5	IP
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 Missouri State*	28	1-5	1-3	0-0	1-2	1	0	1	1	4	3
Northern Iowa*	26	1-8	0-5	0-0	0-4	2	4	0	1	2	2
Evansville*	29	3-6	0-1	0-0	0-5	1	1	1	0	3	6
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Last Time Out: Returned to the starting line-up and had a career game with 11 points and seven rebounds.

# Khalif Ford

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

### **CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 11, twice

Rebounds – 7 vs. Evansville, 1-16-06 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, twice

Rebounds - 7 vs. Evansville, 1-16-06

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:**

- Equalled his career high with 11 points against Evansville, which was the second double-digit scoring game of his career. Also added a career best seven rebounds.
- 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*	17	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-3	1	2	0	0	1	0
Northern Iowa*	23	3-8	2-4	1-3	0-4	4	3	2	0	1	9
Evansville*	28	4-5	0-1	3-6	1-7	4	2	2	0	1	11

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Last Time Out:
Only saw three minutes
of action and was held
scoreless after going
0-for-1 from the floor.

# Roberto Fortes

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

### **CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 6 at Missouri State, 1-11-06 Rebounds – 2 at Creighton, 1-5-06 Assists – 2 vs. IPFW, 12-6-05

Blocked Shots – 0 Steals – 1, twice

Minutes – 16 at Missouri State, 1-11-06

### **UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Has missed his last six three-point attempts.
- Has played 42 minutes in the last five games, after logging 33 total minutes in the previous 11 games.
- 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	0-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	- coa	ch'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	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
IPFW	3	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Georgia Southern				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
at Cal StNorthridge				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
at Indiana State*				Did	not play	- coa	ch'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*	16	2-6	2-6	0-0	0-1	2	1	3	0	1	6
Northern Iowa*	10	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Evansville*	3	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	0	0	0
at Southern Illinois*											

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## Last Time Out: In his first career start, finished with four points and two rebounds in 14 minutes.

# Brandon Holtz G · 6-4 · 185 · Fr.-HS · Bloomington, Ill. (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, twice Minutes – 23, twice

### **UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- · Earned his first collegiate start at home against Evansville.
- Has made two of his last eight three-point field goal attempts (.250).
- 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*	9	3-6	2-5	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	0	8
Northern Iowa*	19	4-8	1-3	1-1	0-1	4	0	0	0	2	10
Evansville*	14	1-5	1-4	1-3	0-2	2	0	1	0	1	4

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# Mark Kruse G/F · 6-7 · 205 · Jr.-TR · St. Cloud, Minn. (Apollo)

### **CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 5, twice Rebounds – 2, three times Assists – 1 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-14-06 Blocked Shots – 0 Steals – 2 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-14-06 Minutes – 12 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05

### **UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Has played a total of six minutes in the last nine games.
- The leading scorer at the 2005 National Junior College Basketball Tournament.

### 2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

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Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	0-R	PF	Α	TO	BLK	S	TP
Indianapolis				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
at Cincinnati	1	1-4	0-2	0-0	2-2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Western Michigan				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
Grambling State				Did	not play	- illne	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	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
at Indiana State*				Did	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
Creighton*				Did	not play	- coad	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	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
Wichita State*				Did	not play	- coad	:h's dec	ision			
at Missouri State*	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Iowa*	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	1	0	0	2	2
Evansville*				Did	not play	- coad	:h's dec	ision			
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Last Time Out: Made his second straight start and posted four points and two rebounds in 14 minutes.

# F • 6-8 • 240 • Fr.-HS • Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School)

### **CAREER BESTS:**

Points - 5 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-14-06 Rebounds - 4 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-14-06 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 become more of a factor offensively by scoring a combined nine points in the last two games, after scoring a total of seven points in the first 14 games.
- 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 r	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 r	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 r	not play	- injur	y				
at Creighton*				Did r	not play	- injur	y				
Wichita State*				Did r	not play	- injur	y				
at Missouri State*	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Northern Iowa*	15	2-6	0-0	1-3	1-4	3	0	1	0	0	5
Evansville*	14	2-4	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	1	0	0	4
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Last Time Out: Came off the bench to lead the Redbirds with 14 points, also added a career best 7 boards.

# G • 6-3 • 185 • Sr.-1L • Omana, Neb. (Creighton Prep)

### **CAREER BESTS:**

Points - 17 at Creighton, 1-5-06 Rebounds - 7 vs. Evansville, 1-16-06 Assists - 4 vs. St. John's, 12-4-04 Blocked Shots - 2 vs. Southern Illinois, 2-16-05 Steals - 2, six times Minutes - 34 at Creighton, 1-5-06

### SEASON BESTS:

Points - 17 at Creighton, 1-5-06 Rebounds - 7 vs. Evansville, 1-16-06 Assists - 3, twice Blocked Shots - 1, three times Steals - 2, four times Minutes - 34 at Creighton, 1-5-06

### **UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- · Has posted six double-digit scoring games this season, including back-to-back 14-point efforts.
- · Scored a career-high 17 points in front of his hometown crowd at Creighton on Jan. 5.
- · 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	0-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
at Missouri State*	24	3-9	0-4	1-2	1-1	3	1	1	0	1	7
Northern Iowa*	21	5-8	1-2	3-4	1-1	3	0	2	0	2	14
Evansville*	26	2-7	1-2	9-13	1-7	3	0	0	0	0	14
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Last Time Out: Totaled four points, on 2-for-5 shooting, but also had four turnovers in 20 minutes.

# 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, three times Assists – 7, twice Blocked Shots – 1, twice Steals – 5 at Creighton, 1-5-06 Minutes – 38 vs. Creighton, 12-31-05

### **UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- In his last six games, is shooting 10-for-46 (.217) from the field.
- He has registered double figure points in eight games this season, but none in the last six games.
- 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	IVI	FG-A	3FG-A	FI-A	U-R	PΕ	А	10	RFK	5	IP.	
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*	32	3-12	2-6	1-2	2-7	3	3	1	0	1	9	
Northern Iowa*	22	1-4	0-1	0-0	0-2	1	1	2	0	0	2	
Evansville*	20	2-5	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	4	0	1	4	
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# Last Time Out: Tallied a career-best 10 points, thanks to an 8-for-10 effort from the foul line.

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

### **CAREER BESTS:**

Points – 10 vs. Evansville, 1-16-06 Rebounds – 7, twice Assists – 5 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05 Blocked Shots – 1, three times Steals – 3 vs. Evansville, 1-16-06

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

### **UPDATED PLAYER NOTES:**

- Posted a career high and his first double digit scoring game with 10 points against Evansville on Jan. 16.
- Dished out a career best five assists in the win over UW-Green Bay.

### 2005-06 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS

Opponent	M	FG-A	3FG-A	⊦I-A	U-R	PΕ	Α	10	BLK	5	IΡ
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*	21	3-4	2-3	1-2	2-7	5	0	3	0	1	9
Northern Iowa*	21	0-5	0-2	0-0	1-1	2	0	0	0	0	0
Evansville*	26	1-4	0-0	8-10	4-5	2	0	4	0	3	10
at Southern Illinois*											

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# 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	O-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 i	not play	- coad	h's dec	ision			
Grambling State				Did i	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
UW-Green Bay				Did i	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 i	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 i	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
at Missouri State*				Did i	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
Northern Iowa*	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Evansville*				Did i	not play	- coad	ch's dec	ision			
at Southern Illinois*											

BOLD indicates games started

\* Missouri Valley Conference game

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Indiana State\*

at Bradley\*

at Drake\*

Bradley\*

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at Evansville\*

Southern Illinois\*

at Bracket Buster%

Missouri State\* at Wichita State\*



# 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

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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	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
Western Michigan				Did	not play	- coa	ch'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	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
IPFW	2	0-0	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Georgia Southern				Did	not play	- coa	ch'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	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
Wichita State*				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
at Missouri State*				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
Northern Iowa*				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
Evansville*				Did	not play	- coa	ch's dec	ision			
at Southern Illinois*											
Indiana State*											
Southern Illinois*											
at Bradley*											

Drake\* at Bracket Buster% Missouri State\* at Wichita State\* BOLD indicates games started

at Evansville\* at Drake\*

Bradley\*

\* Missouri Valley Conference game \* ESPN Bracket Buster





## **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 Marques Blank to 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

November 9, 2005 • Redbird Arena

Augustana (S.E	).) 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

November 19, 2005 • Redbird Arena

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 Tuesday night.

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

November 22, 2005 • Fifth Third Arena

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	ΤP
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, Allen 1)

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



### 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.

### ILLINOIS STATE 64, Western Michigan 47 November 26, 2005 • Redbird Arena

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 lowscoring 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

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 doubledouble 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

<b>UW-Green Bay</b>	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

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



### 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

### 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

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 threepointer 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

Ga. Southern	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Olivier, f	25	1-4	2-2	1-3	0	4	4
Graham, c	18	3-5	1-1	1-6	0	4	7
Gennie, g	28	5-8	1-3	3-6	4	1	13
Nesbitt, g	30	8-16	4-4	0-1	1	4	23
Tobias, g	15	1-5	0-0	0-1	3	1	2
Foreman	34	0-6	2-2	0-4	5	3	2
Dunn	25	1-1	6-6	2-6	1	3	8
Swain	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Salazar	13	1-5	0-0	1-3	0	4	3
Ward	4	1-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	2
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 threepointer 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,

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



### 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 Javs.

## 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, Little 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



### 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

January 8, 2006 • Redbird Arena

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

## GAME 14

### Bears Pull Away in Second Half, 70-54

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Missouri State used 56.5 percent shooting in the second half to overcome a balanced Illinois State scoring attack and registered a 70-54 Missouri Valley Conference victory, Wednesday night at the Hammons Student Center.

The three-pointer proved to be the Redbirds' weapon of choice in the first half, as ISU finished with nine made field goals, including six from beyond the arc. The 'Birds took a 20-16 advantage at the 10:14 mark, after back-to-back treys by Roberto Fortes, but a scoring drought over the final five minutes of the half resulted in a 30-26 MSU lead at the intermission.

Following a 17-6 MSU run, ISU closed to within seven points at 56-49, in the second half on a three-pointer by Brandon Holtz, but on the ensuing possession Greg Dilligard picked up his fifth foul and head coach Porter Moser was slapped with a technical foul. Blake Ahearn converted the pair of free throws and the Bears held on for the 16-point win.

Illinois State didn't have a player in double figures, but Neil Plank and Michael Vandello led the way with nine points apiece. Holtz came off the bench to score eight, while Nedu Onyeuku tossed in seven. Ahearn led the Bears with 20 points and Tyler Chaney ended with 16, while Nathan Bilyeu finished with 12 and Sky Fraizer scored 11.

### Missouri State 70, ILLINOIS STATE 54

January 11, 2006 · Hammons Student Center

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Vandello, f	21	3-4	1-2	2-7	0	5	9
Dilligard, f	26	2-6	1-1	2-7	2	5	5
Onyeuku, g	24	3-9	1-2	1-1	1	3	7
Plank, g	32	3-12	1-2	2-7	3	3	9
D. Ford, g	28	1-5	0-0	1-2	0	1	3
Fortes	16	2-6	0-0	0-1	1	2	6
K. Ford	17	0-2	0-0	0-3	2	1	0
Kruse	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Dyer	14	1-7	1-2	3-3	1	1	3
Odiakosa	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	9	3-6	0-0	0-0	0	0	8
Carlwell	7	2-2	0-0	1-1	0	0	4
Totals	200	20-60	5-9	12-32	10	22	54

Team Pct.: FG - .333; FT - .556

**3-Pt.**: 9-31, .290 (Plank 2-6, Vandello 2-3, Onyeuku 0-4, D. Ford 1-3, Fortes 2-6, K. Ford 0-1, Dyer 0-3, Holtz 2-5)

Blocks: 7 (Dilligard 4, D. Ford 1, Carlwell 2)

Turnovers: 15 (Plank 1, Vandello 3, Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 1, D. Ford 1, Fortes 3, Dyer 1, Odiakosa 2, Holtz 1)

Steals: 13 (Plank 1, Vandello 1, Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 1, D. Ford 4, Fortes 1, K. Ford 1, Dyer 1, Carlwell 1)

Missouri State	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Bilyeu, f	25	4-6	3-4	0-7	4	1	12
Chaney, f	35	6-14	4-5	2-8	3	2	16
Richards, c	21	1-3	2-4	2-4	0	1	4
Ahearn, g	33	6-11	4-4	0-1	3	1	20
Thompson, g	24	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	0
Fuehrmeyer	3	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	2
Lamberth	10	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Laurie	15	0-0	0-0	0-2	1	1	0
Rausch	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Easley	18	1-3	3-4	1-7	1	1	5
Fraizer	15	4-5	3-3	0-2	0	3	11
Totals	200	23-46	19-24	6-35	14	12	70

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .792

3-Pt.: 5-7, .714 (Bilyeu 1-1, Chaney 0-1, Ahearn 4-5)

Blocks: 2 (Bilyeu 1, Richards 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Bilyeu 1, Chaney 5, Richards 2, Ahearn 4, Thomp-

son 1, Laurie 1, Easley 3, Fraizer 1)

Steals: 8 (Bilyeu 4, Chaney 1, Richards 1, Easley 2)

Officials: Gerry Pollard, Jeff Malham, Mike Litzelfelner

Attendance: 6,140

Halftime Score: Missouri State 30, ILLINOIS STATE 26



### Northern Iowa Handles Redbirds

NORMAL, III.— Nedu Onyeuku poured in 14 points for the Illinois State men's basketball team including two timely dunks and Brandon Holtz added 10 points, but Northern Iowa's explosive offense was too much for the Redbirds, as the Panthers bested the 'Birds, 67-52 on Saturday afternoon at Redbird Arena.

Northern lowa jumped out to an early 13-2 lead, courtesy of Eric Coleman's three buckets in the first four-and-a-half minutes and a Ben Jacobson three-pointer. The Redbirds chipped away at the Panther lead, as Onyeuku provided a dunk and two free throws as Illinois State closed the gap to seven, 20-13, after a Neil Plank jumper with 8:14 left to play in the half.

Jacobson led all scorers with 15, while Coleman added 13 for the Panthers. Illinois State was led by Onyeuku with 14, as Khalif Ford contributed nine and Greq Dilligard pulled in 10 rebounds.

### Northern Iowa 67, ILLINOIS STATE 52

January 14, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Northern Iowa	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Stout, f	30	4-7	2-2	1-12	2	4	10
Coleman, f	28	6-9	1-1	2-14	3	2	13
Little, g	36	1-4	5-6	0-2	1	1	7
Jacobson, g	36	2-10	9-10	1-6	4	1	15
McKowen, g	37	3-7	4-6	0-2	2	2	10
Williams	1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Josten	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Brown	19	4-9	1-2	2-4	0	3	12
Griffin	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Howard	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Santos	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Totals	200	20-46	22-27	6-42	12	16	67

Team Pct.: FG - .435; FT - .815

**3-Pt.**: 5-18, .278 (Stout 0-1, Little 0-3, Jacobson 2-6, McKowen 0-3, Brown 3-5)

Blocks: 7 (Stout 3, Coleman 1, Little 1, Jacobson 1, Josten 1)
Turnovers: 16 (Stout 2, Little 1, Jacobson 5, McKowen 4, Josten 2,
Brown 1, Howard 1)

Steals: 6 (Jacobson 4, McKowen 1, Josten 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Odiakosa, f	15	2-6	1-3	1-4	0	3	5
Dilligard, f	29	3-10	0-0	5-10	1	2	6
Onyeuku, g	21	5-8	3-4	1-1	0	3	14
Plank, g	22	1-4	0-0	0-2	1	1	2
D. Ford, g	26	1-8	0-0	0-4	4	2	2
Fortes	10	0-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
K. Ford	23	3-8	1-3	0-4	3	4	9
Vianney	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Kruse	4	1-1	0-0	2-2	1	0	2
Vandello	21	0-5	0-0	1-1	0	2	0
Dyer	5	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	2
Holtz	19	4-8	1-1	0-1	0	4	10
Carlwell	2	0-1	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	21-65	6-11	12-34	10	22	52

Team Pct.: FG - .323; FT - .545

3-Pt.: 4-21, .190 (Onyeuku 1-2, Plank 0-1, D. Ford 0-5, Fortes 0-3, K. Ford 2-4, Vandello 0-2, Dyer 0-1, Holtz 1-3)

Blocks: 5 (Dilligard 4, D. Ford 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Odiakosa 1, Dilligard 4, Onyeuku 2, Plank 2, Fortes 1, K. Ford 2, Carlwell 1)

Steals: 11 (Dilligard 2, Onyeuku 2, D. Ford 2, K. Ford 1, Kruse 2, Holtz 2)

Officials: Paul Janssen, Kerry Campbell, David Warfel

Attendance: 5,336

Halftime Score: Northern Iowa 33, ILLINOIS STATE 18

## GAME 16

### Illinois State Holds On, Defeats Evansville

NORMAL, III.— A three-point basket by Brandon Holtz with eight minutes left to play in the first half gave Illinois State a 10-point lead that propelled the Redbirds to a 65-57 win over Evansville in Missouri Valley Conference action Monday night at Redbird Arena in front of 4,143 fans.

Holding Evansville to only 30.8 percent shooting from the field in the first half, Illinois State was able to take the lead in the opening minutes of play. The two teams traded baskets early, until the Redbirds took a five-point lead off of a Greg Dilligard lay-up and a tip-in by Nedu Onyeuku.

Down by 13 points at the half, the Aces battled back on a tip-in by Art Stalbergs and a layup by Shy Ely, which cut the lead to nine just a minute into the second half. Illinois State went on to rack up 12 points to gain its largest lead of the half at 45-27. Evansville continued to claw its way back, eventually cutting the Redbird lead to three points at 48-45 with 4:51 to go in the half. But that was as close as Evansville got as the Redbirds sealed the win with 13 free throws

Onyeuku and the Aces' Shy Ely led all scorers with 14 points apiece, while Khalif Ford tied his career-high with 11 points and 7 rebounds for the 'Birds. Neil Plank also chipped in 11 points and seven rebounds, while Mike Vandello and Greg Dilligard added 10 points a piece. Dilligard also pulled down 10 boards on the night for his third career double-double.

## ILLINOIS STATE 65, Northern Iowa 57

January 16, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Evansville	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Stalbergs, f	20	3-7	0-0	2-4	0	4	7
Ely, f	29	5-11	4-4	3-7	0	4	14
Strickland, c	27	2-4	2-6	1-6	0	4	6
Anslinger, g	34	4-12	2-2	0-6	0	3	12
Holsinger, g	36	3-15	2-2	1-3	4	4	10
Wargel	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Welch	9	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Blakey	11	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	2	0
Phifer	14	1-4	0-0	2-4	0	1	2
Petty	19	2-5	1-3	0-2	0	4	6
Totals	200	20-61	11-16	11-36	5	28	57

Team Pct.: FG - .328; FT - .688

**3-Pt.**: 6-25, .240 (Stalbergs 1-2, Ely 0-2, Anslinger 2-6, Holsinger

2-11, Welch 0-1, Petty 1-3) Blocks: 3 (Strickland 1, Petty 2)

Turnovers: 15 (Stalbergs 2, Ely 2, Strickland 2, Anslinger 3,

Holsinger 2, Blakey 3, Phifer 1)

Steals: 5 (Stalbergs 1, Ely 1, Strickland 1, Holsinger 1, Blakey 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	Α	PF	TP
Odiakosa, f	14	2-4	0-0	0-2	0	0	4
Dilligard, f	27	5-11	0-3	4-10	2	2	10
K. Ford, g	28	4-5	3-6	1-7	2	4	11
Plank, g	20	2-5	0-0	0-0	1	1	4
Holtz, g	14	1-5	1-3	0-2	2	0	0
Fortes	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	0
Onyeuku	26	2-7	9-13	1-7	0	3	14
Vandello	26	1-4	8-10	4-5	0	2	10
Dyer	9	0-1	2-2	1-2	2	1	2
D. Ford	29	3-6	0-0	0-5	1	1	6
Carlwell	4	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	20-49	23-37	12-44	10	16	65

Team Pct.: FG - .408; FT - .622

3-Pt.: 2-9, .222 (K. Ford 0-1, Holtz 1-4, Fortes 0-1, Onyeuku 1-2, D. Ford 0-1)

Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 2)

Turnovers: 15 (Odiakosa 1, K. Ford 2, Plank 4, Holtz 1, Vandello 4,

D. Ford 1, Carlwell 1, Team 1)

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

Officials: Ed Hightower, David Hall, Paul Janssen

Attendance: 4,143

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 33, Evansville 20