

ILLINOIS STATE

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#7/8 Illinois State Redbirds (0-0) vs. Drake Bulldogs (0-0)

The Redbirds are 6-1 in home openers during the Denver Johnson era.

Date: Thursday, Aug. 30, 2007

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: Normal, Ill.

Stadium (Capacity): Hancock Stadium (15,000)

Surface: FieldTurf

Forecast: High: 78°; Low: 57°; Chance of rain: 10%

Radio: Redbird Radio Network

- Dick Luedke, play-by-play
- Ted Schmitz, color analyst
- Bruce Evans, sideline
- L.A. Decker, studio host

Television: None

Webcast: GoRedbirds.com

Series: Illinois State leads 5-2

Denver Johnson vs. Drake: 2-0

Last Meeting: ISU 56, Drake 19, 9-19-05

– Normal, Ill. (Hancock Stadium)

Drake (0-0)

A30	at Illinois State	6:30 p.m.
S8	Waldorf	6 p.m.
S15	at UW-Platteville	1 p.m.
S22	Northern Iowa	6 p.m.
S29	Valparaiso*	1 p.m.
O6	Butler*	1 p.m.
O13	at San Diego*	8 p.m.
O20	at Davidson*	6 p.m.
O27	Jacksonville*	1 p.m.
N3	at Morehead State*	Noon
N10	Dayton*	1 p.m.

Storylines

- Illinois State kicks off its 112th season of Redbird football tonight against Drake.
- Under head coach **Denver Johnson**, the Redbirds are 3-4 in season-opening games, with all four losses coming against FBS schools. ISU is also 6-1 in home openers during Johnson's tenure.
- The Redbirds enter tonight's game ranked in the top-10 nationally. Illinois State is rated No. 7 in The Sports Network's top-25 poll and No. 8 in the FCS Coaches Poll. It is the second-straight year ISU begins the season in the top-10.
- Drake has dropped its last 10 games against Gateway Football Conference opponents. The Bulldogs last win against the GFC occurred on Sept. 21, 1985, when they downed Southern Illinois 31-6.
- In Johnson's tenure, the Redbirds are 26-14 when playing at Hancock Stadium, including a 4-1 mark last season.
- With the kick off to ISU's 2007 season scheduled for Aug. 30, this is the earliest start for the Redbirds in four years. The last time the Redbirds started earlier was on Aug. 28, 2003, when ISU defeated Drake 27-13, at Hancock Stadium.
- In the history of Redbird football, ISU owns a 5-4 mark when playing in August.
- At halftime of tonight's game there will be a fireworks display, courtesy of Radio Bloomington and Insight Communications. In addition, tonight is also a Redbird Family Night, so a package of two adult general admission tickets and two youth tickets can be purchased for \$20.

The Coaches

➢ Illinois State

Denver Johnson is in his eighth season at Illinois State and owns a 41-39 (.513) overall record with the Redbirds. Prior to guiding the 'Birds, Johnson was the head coach at Murray State, where he compiled a 21-12 mark. Johnson, 48, is a 1981 graduate of Tulsa and his 11-year head coaching record stands at 62-51 (.549).

➢ Drake

Steve Loney (Iowa State '74) enters his first season at the helm of the Bulldog football program. Loney was named interim head coach on June 18, replacing Rob Ash, who left for a similar position at Montana State. Loney is 8-24 as a head coach, with a three-year stint at Morehead State (1981-83).

Illinois State Season Schedule/Results

Date	Opponent	Location	Result/Time	Notes
A30	DRAKE	Normal, Ill.	6:30 p.m.	ISU competes against Drake in 16 other sports as part of the MVC.
S8	MURRAY STATE	Normal, Ill.	6:30 p.m.	The Redbirds have won seven-straight games versus the OVC.
S15	at #17 Eastern Illinois	Charleston, Ill.	6 p.m.	The oldest rivalry in the state of Illinois and 13th-oldest at the FCS level.
S22	at Missouri	Columbia, Mo.	1 p.m.	First meeting: ISU has faced a Big 12 opponent in each of the last three years.
S29	#9 NORTHERN IOWA*	Normal, Ill.	1:30 p.m.	UNI's win over ISU in 2006 prevented the Redbirds from sharing the league title.
O6	at Missouri State*	Springfield, Mo.	2 p.m.	ISU has five-straight victories over the Bears and seven of the last eight.
O13	INDIANA STATE*	Normal, Ill.	1:30 p.m.	Redbirds have won two straight in the series and eight of the last nine.
O20	at #5 Youngstown State*	Youngstown, Ohio	3 p.m.	YSU beat the Redbirds twice in 2006, including in the FCS Quarterfinals.
O27	WESTERN ILLINOIS*	Normal, Ill.	1:30 p.m.	'Birds haven't won back-to-back games against WIU since 1999 and 2000.
N3	at #4 North Dakota State	Fargo, N.D.	6 p.m.	First meeting: NDSU will officially become a GFC member in 2008.
N10	at #11 Southern Illinois*	Carbondale, Ill.	1:30 p.m.	ISU has won the last two meetings by a combined score of 98-45.

* Gateway Football Conference game; All times Central.

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INTERVIEW PROCEDURES

Postgame interviews following home contests are conducted in the team room (second floor) of the Kaufman Football Building. A golf cart is available to transport representatives from the visiting team to the interview area. TV lighting is also provided and there is wireless Internet access in the room.

After road games, representatives will be brought to a designated area. The locker room is closed at all times.

Weekly Gateway Conference Call

Teleconferences featuring the league's head coaches will be conducted each Wednesday during the season (Sept. 5 through Nov. 14). Those participating in the call should dial in five minutes prior to the scheduled start time (10 a.m. CST each Wednesday). Each call can also be accessed at www.gatewayfootball.org. The call-in number is 913/312-6696.

Gateway News/Notes	10:00 a.m.
Denver Johnson, Illinois State	10:05 a.m.
Lou West, Indiana State	10:10 a.m.
Terry Allen, Missouri State	10:15 a.m.
Mark Farley, Northern Iowa	10:20 a.m.
Jerry Kill, Southern Illinois	10:25 a.m.
Don Patterson, Western Illinois	10:30 a.m.
Jon Heacock, Youngstown State	10:35 a.m.

All times are Central

Weekly Media Luncheon

Tuesday, Aug. 28 at noon
Tuesday, Sept. 4 at noon
Tuesday, Sept. 11 at noon
Tuesday, Sept. 18 at noon
Tuesday, Sept. 25 at noon
Tuesday, Oct. 2 at noon
Tuesday, Oct. 9 at noon
Tuesday, Oct. 16 at noon
Tuesday, Oct. 23 at noon
Tuesday, Oct. 30 at noon
Tuesday, Nov. 6 at noon

The Game Week Schedule

A quick look at Illinois State's media availability on game week. All appointments can be made through the athletics media relations office 309/438-3805.

Drake Week													
Sunday	26	Monday	27	Tuesday	28	Wednesday	29	Thursday	30	Friday	31	Saturday	1
Coach/Player Phone Interviews Available by appointment		Player Interviews Available after practice (approx. 6 p.m.)		Media Luncheon Kaufman – noon		GFC Teleconference Johnson – 10:05 a.m.		Drake at Illinois State 6:30 p.m.					

Weekly Media Luncheons

Each Tuesday during the season, Illinois State hosts a media luncheon in the team room of the Kaufman Football Building. The luncheon begins promptly at noon, with comments from two selected players representing both the offense and defense. Following the student-athletes, head coach Denver Johnson will address the media. Video from the press conference will be available on the Web at GoRedbirds.com before 5 p.m. Tuesday, while the audio file will be available immediately following the event on the ISU Athletics Media Relations ftp site (contact Todd Kober or John Sandberg for access information). If you would like to receive the quotes via e-mail, please contact the Illinois State Athletics Media Relations Office at gtkober@ilstu.edu prior to the press conference.

Requesting Credentials

Credentials (game and parking) can be obtained by contacting the Athletics Media Relations Office, Campus Box 7130, Normal, IL, 61790-7130. Requests must be received on official letterhead at least two days prior to the game. Passes that are not mailed will be available at the Will Call window (Gate 4) 90 minutes prior to kickoff.

Practice Procedures

Most practices are open to the media (approximately 3:30-6 p.m.), but only the first 15 minutes of Tuesday through Thursday practices are available to photographers, except during the Drake game – only Tuesday is available. For all other media, it is recommended that an advance call be made to the media relations office to check on the status of practice for a particular day.

Interview Policies

- **Head Coach:** ISU's Denver Johnson will do general interviews following practice Tuesday-Thursday. All other requests for interviews must be submitted to the media relations office at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled interview. During the Drake game week, Johnson is available Tuesday and Wednesday.
- **Assistant Coaches:** Arrangements should be made through the media relations office. Most interviews will be conducted after practice Tuesday-Thursday, except only Tuesday and Wednesday during the Drake game week.
- **Players:** All interviews with players will take place at the media luncheon or after practice Tuesday and Wednesday, except for the week of the Drake game – only Tuesday. Media should request players at least 24 hours in advance. Players who attend the Tuesday luncheon will not be available following practice that day.
- **Postgame:** The Illinois State locker room is closed at all times. Head coach Denver Johnson and requested players will be brought to the designated interview area. At home, the postgame media conference will take place in the team room of the Kaufman Football Building, located in the northeast corner of Hancock Stadium. The media should enter through the west doors and travel up the two flights of stairs to the conference area.

Scouting the Drake Bulldogs

- Drake is located in Des Moines, Iowa, and has an enrollment of 5,125. The Bulldogs are members of the Pioneer Football League.
- The Bulldogs return seven offensive starters and seven defensive starters from a team which finished with a 9-2 overall record, including a second-place finish, with a 6-1 mark, in the Pioneer League.
- The areas hit the hardest in the off-season for Drake were the offensive line, where the Bulldogs lost three of their five starters, and at linebacker, losing all three starters. The Bulldogs are also undergoing a coaching change, after Rob Ash, Drake's head coach for the previous 18 seasons, resigned to take the head post at Montana State. Interim head coach Steve Loney was hired on June 18.
- Senior running back Scott Phayavong is a three-time Sports Network FCS Mid-Major All-America First-Team selection. He has led the Pioneer League in rushing the last three seasons and set the school's single-season record with 1,613 yards on the ground.
- Junior safety Andy Green also earned first-team Mid-Major All-America honors in 2006, after ranking No. 9 nationally in interceptions with five. He also finished with 52 tackles, including 41 solo stops.

Bulldog Bonds

- Illinois State Director of Athletics Dr. Sheahon Zenger served as a graduate assistant coach on the Drake staff to begin his career in intercollegiate athletics.
- ISU assistant coach Rod Carey was a graduate assistant under Drake head coach Steve Loney, when Loney was the offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at Minnesota in 1998-99.
- The Redbirds' Tom Nelson was a prep teammate of Drake's Stephen Platek at John Hersey High School. Nelson and Platek, along with ISU kicker Kevin Mazur, are all from Arlington Heights, Ill. Mazur attended Mt. Prospect.
- ISU's Preston Earl was a high school teammate of Drake's Mitch Rasmussen and Ben Morrison at Stevenson High School.
- Jason Horton, Illinois State senior wide receiver, and Drake's Jeremy Gehl played together at Neuqua Valley High School.
- Providence Catholic High School has a pair of alums in tonight's game in Illinois State's Bobby Kelsey and Clay Cleveland.
- Drake assistant coach Randy Ball is the winningest coach in Gateway Football Conference history. He posted a 98-83-1 record in 16 years as a head coach at Western Illinois (1990-98) and Missouri State (1999-2005). Ball was an assistant coach at ISU under Charlie Cowdrey from 1978-80.
- ISU's Dave Rivas and Tommie Westbrook and Drake's Anthony Swope are all products of Chicago's Gordon Tech High School.

A Sixth Sense?

Since 2001, Illinois State has been the home of the Gateway Football Conference's Defensive Player of the Year award. Boomer Grigsby, the league's only three-time winner, won the award in 2002, 2003 and 2004, while Brent Hawkins followed suit in 2005, and Cameron Siskowic claimed the honor in 2006. This season, Redbird senior linebacker Kye Stewart is the top returning tackler in the Gateway Football Conference with 126 stops in 2006. So, it's only sensible that Stewart would be the favorite for the award this season, which would give the Redbirds six straight.

Hitting the Bull's-eye

It is unknown if his talents translate to the game of darts, but it has seemed that quarterback Luke Drone has been able to connect with his receivers more often than not. Entering the 2007 season, Drone has 418 completions – the third most all-time in ISU history. The Mt. Carmel, Ill., native is only 136 completions from second in the school annals and is a threat to pass John Coppens (554) on the list, as he has completed more than 200 passes in each of the last two seasons.

Back in the Nest

After beginning his career as one of the most productive freshman wide receivers in school history, Kevett Mickle returns to the Illinois State football program after completing his associate's degree at Hillsborough Community College in Tampa, Fla. Mickle was a deep threat in his first stint as a Redbird, but left the school due to academic reasons after the 2004 season. During his first year in a Redbird uniform, the Orlando, Fla., native caught 34 catches for 529 yards, both good for second-best on the team. His catch and yard totals are also the most by an Illinois State freshman in a season, as he garnered All-Gateway Newcomer team recognition.

In Rare Company

Illinois State has proven that it can help student-athletes leap into the professional ranks, as the Redbirds have had a player selected in each of the last three NFL Drafts. Only one other school in the FCS Division, Cal Poly, has sent as many players to the NFL during that same time span. Boomer Grigsby (5th Round, Kansas City), Brent Hawkins (5th Round, Jacksonville) and Laurént Robinson (3rd Round, Atlanta) are the recent Redbird NFL draft choices.

The Tale of the Tape

	ILS	DU
Record	9-4	9-2
Points	29.0	27.5
Points Allowed	20.2	15.3
First Downs	262	228
Rushing Yards	169.7	231.4
Rushing Defense	148.5	133.5
Passing Yards	227.8	174.0
Passing Defense	187.9	195.5
Total Offense	397.5	405.4
Total Defense	336.5	329.0
Interceptions	17-274	18-224
Punt Return Avg.	6.7	5.0
Kickoff Return Avg.	21.6	19.1
Fumbles Lost	4	5
Penalties	61-533	66-530
Time of Possession	30:44	31:26
3rd-Down Conversions	89/178 (50%)	65/146 (45%)
4th-Down Conversions	9/17 (53%)	7/18 (39%)
TDs Scored	50	40
Field Goals	11-20	8-13
PAT Attempts	44-46	35-40

Illinois State Statistical Leaders

Rushing	Att	Net	Avg/G	TD	Long
R. Rice	71	368	28.3	6	28
Blow	19	94	15.7	0	39
Passing	Cmp	Att-Int		Yds	TD
Drone	103	349-13		2961	21
Receiving	No	Yds	Avg	TD	
Horton	33	500	15.2	2	
Rourke	16	345	21.6	1	
Tackles	Solo	Asst		Total	
Stewart	57	69		126	
Caesar	43	20		63	
Nelson	18	24		42	
Thomas	17	18		35	

Drake Statistical Leaders

Rushing	Att	Net	Avg/G	TD	Long
Phayavong	277	1613	146.6	10	69
Cashmore	106	645	58.6	18	74
Passing	Cmp	Att-Int		Yds	TD
Retherford	56	105-6		916	5
Ingle	51	102-2		702	2
Receiving	No	Yds	Avg	TD	
Hardgraves	20	363	18.1	2	
Marx	16	313	19.6	0	
Tackles	Solo	Asst		Total	
Craig	40	19		59	
Green	41	11		52	
Collins	37	8		45	

The Redbird Record Book
ISU Career Rushing TDs

1. Toby Davis (1989-92)	37
11. Sam Zanders (1998)	13
Chris Moore (1994-96)	13
Will Hill (1993-95)	13
14. Rafael Rice (2005-)	12

ISU Career Pass Completions

1. Kevin Glenn (1997-2000)	663
2. John Coppens (1981-84)	554
3. Luke Drone (2004-)	418

ISU Career Passing Yards

1. Kevin Glenn (1997-2000)	8,251
2. John Coppens (1981-84)	6,238
3. Luke Drone (2004-)	5,901

ISU Career Passing TDs

1. Kevin Glenn (1997-2000)	62
2. John Coppens (1981-84)	49
3. Luke Drone (2004-)	43

ISU Career Completion Percentage

1. Luke Drone (2004-)	.612
2. Danny Barnett (1992-94)	.590

ISU Career Passing Efficiency

1. Luke Drone (2004-)	147.2
2. Dusty Burk (1999-2001)	127.8

ISU Career Receiving Yards

1. Laurént Robinson (2003-06)	3,007
7. Dwyane Smith (2002-03)	1,386
8. Jim Fitzpatrick (1978-80)	1,226
9. Brian Brown (1989-92)	1,220
10. Pierre Jackson (2004-06)	1,211
11. Jason Horton (2003-)	1,141

ISU Career Receptions

1. Laurént Robinson (2003-06)	192
9. Kevin Dixson (1993-94)	89
10. Jacob Niete (1997-99)	86
11. Kyle Robinson (1994-95)	85
12. Vic Northern (1987-90)	84
13. Aveion Cason (1998-99)	83
14. Jason Horton (2003-)	81

ISU Career TD Receptions

1. Laurént Robinson (2003-06)	29
6. Jacob Niete (1997-99)	11
7. Jason Horton (2003-)	9

ISU Career Total Offense

1. Kevin Glenn (1997-2000)	8,892
2. Luke Drone (2004-)	6,078

ISU Career TDs Responsible For

1. Kevin Glenn (1997-2000)	70
2. John Coppens (1981-84)	50
3. Luke Drone (2004-)	49

ISU Career PAT Kicks Made

1. Jake Strader (1997-2000)	141
2. Stephen Carroll (2001-04)	127
3. Paul Politi (1983-86)	101
4. Kevin Mazur (2005-)	93

ISU Career Tackles

1. Boomer Grigsby (2001-04)	580
12. Bill Randles (1992-95)	269
Andrew Papoccia (2000-03)	269
14. Kye Stewart (2003-)	249

The I-Pass

The Redbird offense won't speed up the lines at toll booths, but it has been blowing through Gateway football stadiums with regularity the last three seasons. The Redbirds led the Gateway in 2006 with 227.8 passing yards per game, marking the third-straight season in which the Redbirds have led the conference in passing offense. If ISU owns the league's top passing offense again this season, it would become only the second team to accomplish the feat, joining Northern Iowa.

All-America U

ISU has produced at least one all-American player in 21 of its last 24 seasons. Over the last seven seasons, 29 players from 12 different positions have been honored. Linebacker **Kye Stewart** was a consensus preseason all-American selection prior to the 2007 season.

Doubting Thomas? Well, Don't

In 2006, he lined up at the defensive tackle position, so there is reason to be skeptical that Illinois State's **Jarek Thomas** had two interceptions on the year. But, it's true. Thomas' two interceptions were the most by a Redbird defensive lineman since 1974, when **Rick Spain** also snagged a pair of passes. Thomas intercepted a shovel pass against Central Arkansas, but later in the season, he got the ultimate defensive lineman's dream with an interception returned for a touchdown against Youngstown State. This season, Thomas will be making the move to defensive end.

It is in His Sights

Quarterback **Luke Drone** has thrown for over 2,900 yards in each of the last two seasons. If he equals or surpasses that feat, Drone will become the most prolific passer in Illinois State history. Drone needs 2,350 yards through the air to knock former Redbird **Kevin Glenn** (8,251) from the top spot.

The Three Degrees of St-Pierre

While junior **Jonathan St-Pierre** is about to begin his second season in Redbird uniform, he has already walked across the stage to receive one degree, a bachelor's in economics from Illinois State. St-Pierre is on pace to finish with three collegiate degrees by the time the Longueuil, Quebec native leaves ISU next year. He will complete two courses at Miami (Fla.), where he began his college career, next summer to complete a bachelor's in business administration. This year, he has started the curriculum for his master's in economics and should have that completed in May 2009.

The Dirty Dozen

Senior linebacker **Kye Stewart** needs just 51 tackles to become the 12th player in Illinois State history to accumulate 300 or more tackles in a career. He currently ranks No. 14 in Redbird history and needs 21 stops to move into sole possession of 12th place.

Getting Some Picks on Route 66

With Hancock Stadium located along nostalgic Route 66, the Redbird defense had a few kicks in 2006. The Redbirds finished the season with 17 interceptions, including three which were returned for touchdowns. The 17 picks were the highest total by an ISU defense since 1989.

Denver Johnson - a Man of Honor

As the Redbirds opened their 2007 training camp, head coach **Denver Johnson** earned recognition for his hard work as the Redbirds' mentor. Johnson was honored by the All-American Football Foundation along with three other coaches, who all received the prestigious **Johnny Vaught Head Coach Award**. Johnson led the Redbirds to their third trip to the NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) playoffs in 2006, while also being a finalist for the **Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award** last season.

Good Chance for a Grand

ISU head coach **Denver Johnson** has had a 1,000-yard rusher in nine of the 10 seasons in which he has been a head coach, both at Illinois State and Murray State. Last year was no exception, as **Pierre Rembert** rushed for a school-record 1,743 yards. At this point it is unknown who will emerge for the Redbirds in the backfield, but there is a good chance that they will be a 1,000-yard rusher.

Captain All-America

In 2006, Illinois State linebacker **Kye Stewart** was one of three Redbird linebacker with 100-plus tackles. But with the graduation of **Niall Campbell** and **Cameron Siskowic**, Stewart is the lone returnee to anchor the Redbirds' linebacking corps. As a result, the Nashville, Tenn., native was named to the All-Gateway Preseason Team, as well as a preseason all-American by two different organizations. Stewart was selected to the 2007 **Sports Network** Preseason FCS All-America First Team, while being named to the 2007 **College Sporting News** Preseason All-America First Team.

He Really is a Drone

In the bee world, drones are dubbed "worker bees" because of their consistent work ethic. In Redbird football, quarterback **Luke Drone** is of the same mold. The avid student of game film, Drone is by far the most efficient signal caller in school history. For his career, Drone has posted a passing efficiency rating of 147.2, which is nearly 20 points higher than the next highest ISU quarterback.

Put Up Your Dukes

Sylvester Stallone might have put the "Rocky" series to rest finally after six editions, but linebackers **Bill Hronec** and **Tommie Westbrook** might be ample replacements if a seventh movie were to be made. While at Chicago's Mt. Carmel High School, Hronec was not only an all-conference football player, but was quite a boxer, owning a 13-2 record with nine knockouts as a heavyweight on the school's boxing team. Westbrook, a product of Gordon Tech High School, also took up boxing during his senior year, training and sparring for two-to-three hours a day.

Applying the Full Nelson

That's exactly what free safety **Tom Nelson** did to opposing quarterbacks in 2006, as he finished the season with a team-high four interceptions. The 2005 Gateway Freshman of the Year also led the Redbirds with 10 pass break-ups, while posting 42 tackles on the season. Nelson was named to the 2007 All-Gateway Preseason Team.

Build it, and They Will Come

Hancock Stadium had a "field of dreams" feel to it during the 2006 season. Twice, the Redbirds drew crowds larger than capacity – something that hadn't happened on ISU's campus in over 35 years. Against Southern Illinois, the 'Birds drew a crowd of 17,237, the sixth-largest in the facility's history. Two weeks later, 15,372 saw the Redbirds face Youngstown State, the ninth-highest attendance total.

Same Faces, New Places

Since the taking the field last season, a few Redbirds have made some position changes. Shifts in the defense include **Jesse Caesar**, who moved from cornerback to strong safety, and **Jarek Thomas**, who moved outside to an end position on the defensive line. Both **Jermaine Malcolm** and **Andrew Paschal** moved from wide receiver to defensive back.

A Leader On-and-Off the Field

Linebacker **Kye Stewart** has shown his prowess on the football field, but it is also his ability to lead his peers off the gridiron that Illinois State football fans should stand up and clap for, as Stewart was selected from a pool of 1,300 top student-athletes from across the country to represent ISU at the 2007 annual NCAA Leadership Conference, LeaderSHAPE. A 2006 All-Gateway First-Team selection, Stewart was one of 356 student-athletes from around the country that attended the event held in Lake Buena Vista, Fla., from May 27-31. Stewart was the second-straight Redbird football student-athlete to attend the conference, as senior quarterback **Luke Drone** was selected in 2006.

Measuring Up the Turf

During the offseason, Hancock Stadium received an upgrade with a new FieldTurf playing surface and sub-surface. The old turf, along with the concrete apron, and the drainage system, were excavated prior to the installation. To begin the project, 6,200 tons of crushed rock was hauled in to provide the foundation. While the base was laid, 1.3 miles of drainage pipe was also installed. Once the 103,600 square-feet of turf was laid, 1,200 tons of a sand/rubber mixture was worked into the playing surface to provide the cushioned feel.

Transferable

Since 1993, when the NCAA rules changed to allow players immediate eligibility at the FCS level, Illinois State has had 49 players transfer from FBS schools. ISU's FBS transfers on this year's roster include: **Adam Blankenship** (DL, Nebraska); **Kelvin Chandler** (WR, Pittsburgh); **Parrish Fisher** (RB, Kansas State); **Brandon Joyce** (OL, Indiana); **Mitchell Moore** (RB, Iowa State); **Jonathan St-Pierre** (OL, Miami (Fla.)); and **Nick Williams** (DL, Pittsburgh).

Gimmie a I-A... er, FBS

When the Redbirds travel to Missouri on Sept. 22, it will be the 13th-straight season in which Illinois State has played a Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) opponent. The last time the 'Birds didn't schedule an FBS game was in 1994. It will also mark ISU's third-straight season facing a team from the Big 12, after the 'Birds played at Iowa State in 2005 and at Kansas State in 2006.

Drone's Hometown Spreading the Red

Luke Drone has appreciated all the support that members of his hometown, Mt. Carmel, Ill., have provided during his time at Illinois State. Now, if the locals can't make it to all of the Redbirds' games this season, they can follow Drone and the rest of the 'Birds on WSJD 100.5 FM (Mt. Carmel), as the station became the newest member of the Redbird Radio Network in 2007. The station joins WBIG-AM (Aurora/Chicagoland), the flagship station of WJBC-AM (Bloomington, Ill.) and WJEZ-FM of Dwight, Ill.

'Bird Beasts vs. Drake

INDIVIDUAL*

Rushing Yards	172, Virgil Winters, 9-29-84
Rushing TDs	2, Sha-Ron Edwards, 8-28-03
Passing Yards	342, Luke Drone, 9-10-05
Completions	24, John Coppens, 11-13-82
TD Passes	5, Luke Drone, 9-10-05
Receptions	9, three times: last by Laurent Robinson, 9-10-05
Receiving Yards	192, Clarence Collins, 11-13-82
Receiving TDs	3, Laurent Robinson, 9-10-05
Tackles	22, Anthony Office, 11-14-81
Tackles for Loss	4, Gean Gilot, 8-28-03
Sacks	1.5, Brent Hawkins, 9-10-05
Interceptions	1, eight times: last by James Temple, 9-10-05
Longest FG	48, Stephen Carroll, 8-28-03

TEAM*

Most Points	56, 9-10-05
Fewest Points	10, twice: last 10-26-85
Most Points Allowed	42, 11-13-82
Fewest Points Allowed	0, 9-29-84

*modern era (1936 and later)

Points Off Turnovers

	ISU	Opp
Drake		
Murray State		
at E. Illinois		
at Missouri		
Northern Iowa		
at Missouri St.		
Indiana State		
at Youngstown St.		
Western Illinois		
at North Dakota St.		
at Southern Illinois		

2007 Gateway Standings

	GATEWAY			OVERALL		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Illinois State	0	0	.000	0	0	.000
Indiana State	0	0	.000	0	0	.000
Missouri State	0	0	.000	0	0	.000
Northern Iowa	0	0	.000	0	0	.000
Southern Illinois	0	0	.000	0	0	.000
Western Illinois	0	0	.000	0	0	.000
Youngstown State	0	0	.000	0	0	.000

This Week in the Gateway:
Aug. 30

- Quincy at Southern Illinois, 6 p.m.
- South Dakota State at Western Illinois, 6:05 p.m.
- Missouri-Rolla at Missouri State, 7 p.m.
- Minnesota State at Northern Iowa, 7:05 p.m.

Sept. 1

- Youngstown State at Ohio State, 11 a.m.
- Indiana State at Indiana, 7 p.m.

2007 Gateway Preseason Poll

1. Northern Iowa (11)	166
2. Illinois State (7)	160
3. Youngstown State (7)	159
4. Southern Illinois (1)	127
5. Western Illinois	82
6. Missouri State	55
7. Indiana State	35

Scholar-Baller™

For the second-straight season, Illinois State players who achieved a 2.75 GPA or higher for either semester last year will wear the patch (shown below) on their uniform to signify their Scholar-Baller™ status.

Kevin Brockway \$	Graham Corcoran #
Luke Drone	Preston Earl #
Steven Fetzler	Brent Holtz #
Kurt James #	Leon Kittrel #
Casey Kociuba	Ansu Kpandeyenge #
Warren McCarty	Kedric Meredith
Dave Mordis \$	Cortes Rice #
Rafael Rice #	Dave Rivas \$
Garry Roberts	Eyad Salem \$
Dan Simnick	Mike Slack \$
Tom Speer \$	Jonathan St-Pierre #
Dan Weiner	Isaiah Wiggins #
Dane Zumbahlen	

indicates Spring 2007 only member

\$ indicates Fall 2006 only member


Notable Newcomers

Since the Gateway began recognizing an all-newcomer team in 1994, 45 Redbirds have been cited for achievement in their first season. In 2006, defensive lineman **Adam Blankenship** and offensive linemen **Brandon Joyce** and **Jonathan St-Pierre** added their names to the list.

Another One Bites the Dust

With victories last season over Eastern Illinois (twice) and Southern Illinois, the Redbirds have posted at least one victory over a ranked foe in nine of the last 10 seasons. The Redbirds should have plenty of opportunities again this season with five opponents ranked in the preseason polls.

Cleaning the State

With the Redbirds' 24-13 win at Eastern Illinois in the NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) Playoffs last season, it marked the fourth victory over schools from the state of Illinois in 2006. Earlier in the year, the 'Birds downed Southern Illinois, 37-10, defeated Eastern Illinois, 44-30, in the regular season, and dropped Western Illinois, 27-14. The four Redbird victories over Illinois schools were the most in-state wins by ISU since 1968, when the Redbirds downed Illinois Wesleyan, Illinois-Chicago, Eastern Illinois, Western Illinois and Bradley all in the same season.

Getting to the League

Not only have the Redbirds had a player drafted into the NFL in each of the last three years, but currently, there are six former Illinois State players in the NFL and two more in the Canadian Football League. Former Redbirds in the NFL include: **Aveilon Cason** (RB, Detroit Lions), **Sha-Ron Edwards** (RB, Atlanta Falcons), **Boomer Grigsby** (FB, Kansas City Chiefs), **Brent Hawkins** (DE, Jacksonville Jaguars), **Laurént Robinson** (WR, Atlanta Falcons) and **Cameron Siskowic** (LB, Minnesota Vikings). In the CFL, former Redbird teammates **Kevin Glenn** (QB) and **Sam Young** (DB) are teammates again with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers.

The NFL is in their Blood

Redshirt-freshman quarterback **Preston Earl** and senior offensive lineman **Brandon Joyce** are both the offspring of former NFL players. Earl's father, Robin, was a fullback with the Chicago Bears from 1977-82. Joyce's dad, Terry, punted for the St. Louis Cardinals during the 1976 and 1977 seasons. In addition, true-freshman quarterback **Drew Kiel**'s uncle, Blair, played in the NFL from 1984-91 with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (1984), Indianapolis Colts (1986-87) and Green Bay Packers (1988, 1990-91).

Hunting in Packs

"Hunting in Packs" has been the mantra of the Illinois State defense under head coach **Denver Johnson** and the statistics showcase that philosophy. Since 2002, the 'Birds have had at least two defenders post 100 or more tackles in every season but one, missing the milestone by only eight stops. In 2006, each of the three ISU linebackers collected 100-plus hits with **Cameron Siskowic** totalled 154, **Kye Stewart** had 126 and **Niall Campbell** finished with 106.

Managing Micsues

For the second-straight season, Illinois State finished the 2006 campaign with more turnovers forced than allowed. The Redbirds were +5 in turnovers in 2006, after posting a +6 turnover rating during the 2005 season. The two back-to-back positive turnover ratios are the first for ISU in the **Denver Johnson** era.

These 'Birds Can Bear Down

There is no doubt that on Sundays, Bloomington-Normal is smack-dab in the middle of Chicago Bear territory. So, as a result, it is common to see fans of both the Redbirds and the Bears. The Illinois State locker room is no exception. Head coach **Denver Johnson** and assistant coach **Mike Menefee** were college teammates with Bear head coach **Lovie Smith** at Tulsa. At New Mexico, assistant coach **Holmon Wiggins** and Bear pro-bowl linebacker Brian Urlacher played together for the Lobos. Junior offensive lineman **Jonathan St-Pierre** was a roommate of return specialist **Devin Hester**, when St-Pierre attended Miami (Fla.), and Preston Earl's dad, Robin, played for the Bears in the late 1970s.

Hail Caesar!

When **Jesse Caesar** returned an Eastern Illinois interception 45 yards for a game-securig touchdown in the 2006 NCAA FCS Playoffs, it marked his second-career defensive touchdown. Caesar, who returned a fumble 69 yards for a score at Iowa State in 2005, will be making the move from cornerback to strong safety this season.

The Young Guns

The ISU coaching staff is excited about its young defensive corners, but despite a wealth of talent and potential, experience is lacking. **Jason Tate** is the only cornerback to have previously seen time on the job in a Redbird uniform. The sophomore played in all 13 games last season, but didn't record a start. **Chris Garrett** went through spring practice with the Redbirds after transferring from Diablo Valley College and **Kelvyn Hemphill** has a year in the system after sitting out 2006 as a redshirt.

2007 Illinois State Starters Game-By-Game

Offense	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	WR	QB	FB	TB
Drake											
Murray State											
at Eastern Illinois											
at Missouri											
Northern Iowa											
at Missouri State											
Indiana State											
at Youngstown St.											
Western Illinois											
at North Dakota St.											
at Southern Illinois											

Defense	DE	DT	DT	DE	SLB	MLB	WLB	CB	SS	FS	CB
Drake											
Murray State											
at Eastern Illinois											
at Missouri											
Northern Iowa											
at Missouri State											
Indiana State											
at Youngstown St.											
Western Illinois											
at North Dakota St.											
at Southern Illinois											

2007 Illinois State Start Chart

	2007	Current Steak	Career		2007	Current Steak	Career
Mordis (FB)	0	15	31	R. Rice (TB)	0	0	3
Wiggins (OL)	0	28	28	Hunter (DL)	0	0	2
Caesar (DB)	0	22	28	Joynt (TE)	0	0	2
Stewart (LB)	0	10	25	Cucci (LB)	0	0	1
Drone (QB)	0	24	24	Hronec (LB)	0	0	1
Nelson (FS)	0	24	24				
Thomas (DT)	0	1	22				
Niklasch (OL)	0	13	14				
Joyce (OL)	0	11	11				
Meredith (TE)	0	4	10				
Horton (WR)	0	0	10				
St-Pierre (OL)	0	9	9				
Blankenship (DL)	0	6	6				
Simnick (DL)	0	2	5				
Madsen (OL)	0	0	4				

2007 Illinois State Football – Two-Deep (as of Aug. 24 at 10:53 a.m.)
Offense (Multiple)

WR	86	Jason Horton***	6-0 • 185 • Sr. • Bolingbrook, Ill.
	80	Kelvin Chandler	6-2 • 185 • Jr. • Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
LT	66	Isaiah Wiggins***	6-4 • 290 • Sr. • Chicago, Ill.
	76	Chris Riley	6-5 • 270 • Fr. • Wadsworth, Ill.
LG	65	Bill Speiser*	6-5 • 300 • Sr. • Warrenton, Mo.
	68	Erik Madsen*	6-3 • 285 • Jr. • Bolingbrook, Ill.
C	61	Jonathan St-Pierre*	6-3 • 325 • Jr. • Longueuil, Quebec
	64	Brad Paul	6-4 • 275 • Fr. • Seabrook, Texas
RG	69	Joe Niklasch**	6-4 • 280 • Jr. • Hartland, Wis.
	68	Erik Madsen*	6-3 • 285 • Jr. • Bolingbrook, Ill.
RT	78	Brandon Joyce*	6-5 • 310 • Sr. • St. Charles, Mo.
	70	Michael Cross	6-5 • 305 • Fr. • Bloomington, Ill.
TE	47	Kedric Meredith**	6-3 • 270 • Jr. • Peoria, Ill.
	42	Jeremy Joyst*	6-3 • 255 • Sr. • Emmetsburg, Iowa
WR	10	Jake Rourke**	6-3 • 195 • Jr. • Chatham, Ill.
	88	Kevett Mickle*	6-3 • 195 • Jr. • Orlando, Fla.
QB	7	Luke Drone***	6-2 • 210 • Sr. • Mt. Carmel, Ill.
	16	Preston Earl	6-2 • 220 • Fr.-RS • Lincolnshire, Ill.
FB	35	Garin Harcar	5-11 • 260 • So. • Grand Ridge, Ill.
	40	Bert Whigham	6-4 • 235 • So. • Lake Mary, Fla.
TB	2	Rafael Rice*	5-11 • 220 • Sr. • Los Alamitos, Calif.
	34	Parrish Fisher	5-10 • 205 • Jr. • Richardson, Texas
PK	36	Kevin Mazur**	5-11 • 190 • Jr. • Mt. Prospect, Ill.
	14	Tyler Funk	6-0 • 170 • Fr.-RS • Racine, Wis.

Specialists

KO	19	Bobby Kelsey**	6-1 • 230 • Jr. • Channahon, Ill.
	36	Kevin Mazur**	5-11 • 190 • Jr. • Mt. Prospect, Ill.
LS	71	Joe Doyle	6-2 • 230 • So. • Wellington, Fla.
	45	Kyle Siskowic*	6-1 • 225 • So. • San Diego, Calif.
HD	7	Luke Drone***	6-2 • 210 • Sr. • Mt. Carmel, Ill.
	16	Preston Earl	6-2 • 220 • Fr.-RS • Lincolnshire, Ill.
KR	9	Tom Nelson**	6-0 • 200 • Jr. • Arlington Heights, Ill.
	86	Jason Horton***	6-0 • 185 • Sr. • Bolingbrook, Ill.
	34	Parrish Fisher	5-10 • 205 • Jr. • Richardson, Texas
	80	Kelvin Chandler	6-2 • 185 • Jr. • Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
PR	9	Tom Nelson**	6-0 • 200 • Jr. • Arlington Heights, Ill.
	86	Jason Horton***	6-0 • 185 • Sr. • Bolingbrook, Ill.

** Indicates number of letters earned*
Defense (4-3)

DE	93	Adam Blankenship*	6-2 • 235 • Jr. • Tulsa, Okla.
	57	Brandon Wilson*	6-2 • 220 • So. • San Antonio, Texas
DT	99	Nick Williams	6-2 • 275 • Jr. • Plantation, Fla.
	91	Dave Rivas	6-3 • 255 • Fr. • Chicago, Ill.
DT	62	Mike Piton	6-2 • 275 • Fr. • Palos Hills, Ill.
	97	Kaschiev Hunter**	6-2 • 300 • Jr. • Marietta, Ga.
DE	94	Jarek Thomas***	6-3 • 275 • Sr. • Orlando, Fla.
	60	Tom Speer*	6-4 • 220 • So. • Macomb, Ill.
SLB	48	Pat Cucci**	6-1 • 240 • Jr. • Winter Springs, Fla.
	45	Kyle Siskowic*	6-1 • 225 • So. • San Diego, Calif.
MLB	59	Bill Hronec***	6-2 • 225 • Sr. • Evergreen Park, Ill.
	50	Tommie Westbrook	6-0 • 235 • Fr. • Chicago, Ill.
WLB	6	Kye Stewart***	6-0 • 210 • Sr. • Nashville, Tenn.
	58	Mark Whitaker**	6-1 • 220 • Sr. • Moline, Ill.
CB	25	Chris Garrett	6-0 • 175 • So. • Concord, Calif.
	24	Kelvyn Hemphill	6-2 • 180 • Fr. • San Antonio, Texas
SS	1	Jesse Caesar	5-10 • 190 • Sr. • Rockledge, Fla.
	13	Andrew Paschal	6-3 • 205 • Jr. • Largo, Fla.
FS	9	Tom Nelson**	6-0 • 200 • Jr. • Arlington Heights, Ill.
	30	Garry Roberts**	6-2 • 210 • Sr. • Edna, Texas
CB	21	Jason Tate*	5-11 • 175 • So. • Lake Mary, Fla.
	24	Kelvyn Hemphill	6-2 • 180 • Fr. • San Antonio, Texas
P	19	Bobby Kelsey**	6-1 • 230 • Jr. • Channahon, Ill.
	36	Kevin Mazur**	5-11 • 190 • Jr. • Mt. Prospect, Ill.

Pronunciation Guide

Jesse Caesar	SEE-zer
Pat Cucci	COO-chee
Tyler Doering	DOOR-ing
Luke Drone	rhymes with bone
Garin Harcar	GARE-in HAR-car
Bill Hronec	RON-ick
Kaschiev Hunter	ka-SHEEV
Muhammad Kahluh	ka-LOON
Drew Kempe	KEM-pee
Casey Kociuba	coe-SEE-bah
Ansu Kpandehyenge	an-SUE pan-DEE-in-GEE
Kevett Mickle	kuh-VET MICK-ul
Joe Niklasch	NICK-lash
Mike Piton	last name rhymes with "kitten"
Eyad Salem	EE-odd SAY-lem
Kyle Siskowic	SIS-co-wick
Babatunde Soyebo	BOB-toon-day SOY-ay-bow
Bill Speiser	SPY-zehr
Jarek Thomas	JAR-ick
Tony Trujillo	TRUE-hee-yoh
Dan Weiner	WINE-er
Dane Zumbahlen	zum-BAH-lens

COACH LOCATIONS: On the Sideline – Denver Johnson (Head Coach), Rod Carey (OL Coach), Mike Menefee (S Coach), Chris Patton (DL Coach), Holmon Wiggins (RB Coach), Jafar Williams (WR Coach), Rohrk Cutchlow (Strength Coach), Stafford Davis (Graduate Assistant). **In the Booth** – Jim Williams (Off. Coord./H-Backs Coach), Galen Scott (Def. Coord./LB Coach), Brad Cornelison (QB Coach), David Ross (CB Coach), Michael Brewer (Student Coach), Mike Passarella (Student Coach).

2007 Illinois State Player Participation

	DU	Murray	EIU	Mizzou	UNI	MSU	INS	YSU	WIU	NDSU	SIU
Blankenship, Adam											
Chandler, Kelvin											
Cross, Michael											
Cucci, Pat											
Doyle, Joe											
Drone, Luke											
Earl, Preston											
Fisher, Parrish											
Garrett, Chris											
Harcar, Garin											
Hemphill, Kelvyn											
Horton, Jason											
Hronec, Bill											
Hunter, Kaschiev											
Joyce, Brandon											
Joynt, Jeremy											
Kelsey, Bobby											
Madsen, Erik											
Mazur, Kevin											
Meredith, Kedric											
Mickle, Kevett											
Nelson, Tom											
Niklasch, Joe											
Paschal, Andrew											
Paul, Brad											
Piton, Mike											
Rice, Rafael											
Riley, Chris											
Rivas, Dave											
Roberts, Garry											
Rourke, Jake											
Siskowic, Kyle											
Soyebo, Babatunde											
Speiser, Bill											
Stewart, Kye											
St-Pierre, Jonathan											
Tate, Jason											
Thomas, Jarek											
Westbrook, Tommie											
Whigham, Bert											
Whitaker, Mark											
Wiggins, Isaiah											
Williams, Nick											
Wilson, Brandon											

Redbird Captains

Game	Redbird Captains
Drake	
Murray State	
at E. Illinois	
at Missouri	
N. Iowa	
at Missouri St.	
Indiana St.	
at Youngstown St.	
W. Illinois	
at North Dakota St.	
at S. Illinois	

GFC Players of the Week

OFFENSE	
None	
DEFENSE	
None	
SPECIAL TEAMS	
None	
OFFENSIVE LINE	
None	

Illinois State's Starting Line-Up

Offense

WR 86 Jason Horton	<i>Played ice hockey in middle school (seventh and eighth grade).</i>
LT 66 Isaiah Wiggins	<i>Began playing the trumpet in elementary school and has been playing it for 10 years.</i>
LG 65 Bill Speiser	<i>Became a father on May 3, with the birth of his daughter Jordan: enjoys four-wheeling and fishing.</i>
C 61 Jonathan St-Pierre	<i>A former roommate of the Chicago Bears' Devin Hester, when the two attended Miami (Fla.)</i>
RG 69 Joe Niklasch	<i>A Brewers and Packers fan with the best "glam-rock" hairdo on the team.</i>
RT 78 Brandon Joyce	<i>While in high school, appeared in the Sharpie commercial with Terrell Owens.</i>
WR 10 Jake Rourke	<i>Likes to go fishing and loves to curl up with a big bowl of popcorn.</i>
TE 47 Kedric Meredith	<i>Started investing in the stock market and can't stop watching CNBC.</i>
QB 7 Luke Drone	<i>Plays the guitar and went camping at Yosemite National Park this past summer.</i>
FB 35 Garin Harcar	<i>Traveled to Australia as a freshman in high school as part of the McDonald's All-Star baseball team.</i>
TB 2 Rafael Rice	<i>One of his favorite jobs was working as a valet in high school.</i>
PK 36 Kevin Mazur	<i>Volunteered in 2005 with the Hurricane Katrina relief efforts.</i>

Defense

DE 93 Adam Blankenship	<i>At the age of 18, rode a bull for 4.5 seconds.</i>
DT 99 Nick Williams	<i>Born in Jamaica and moved to the United States at the age of six.</i>
DT 62 Mike Piton	<i>A self-proclaimed 'computer geek' who has built a computer; also nicknamed 'the body.'</i>
DE 94 Jarek Thomas	<i>Enjoys cooking, especially soul food, including his favorite dish - BBQ ribs and pork chops.</i>
SLB 48 Pat Cucci	<i>Likes to fish during his free time.</i>
MLB 59 Bill Hronec	<i>He likes to play his guitar and has jam sessions with Warren McCarty and Drew Kempe.</i>
WLB 6 Kye Stewart	<i>A blackbelt in Nisei Goju-Ryu karate and is also a certified scuba diver.</i>
CB 25 Chris Garrett	<i>Reportedly has had five "girlfriends" at the same time.</i>
SS 1 Jesse Caesar	<i>Dubbed the team mechanic because of his car-fixing skills, which he learned from his father.</i>
FS 9 Tom Nelson	<i>Became an uncle in July 2006 when his niece Laura was born.</i>
CB 21 Jason Tate	<i>Never worked a job in his life; changed his uniform number to 21 to share the same number with Atlanta's DeAngelo Hall.</i>
P 19 Bobby Kelsey	<i>When he was 12-years-old, worked a bull-riding event as a rodeo clown in Louisiana.</i>

Non-Starters to Watch

WR 80 Kelvin Chandler	<i>Owns a 1984 cherry red Buick Regal with a T-top: enjoys street cars and muscle cars.</i>
RB 34 Parrish Fisher	<i>Growing up he idolized Barry Sanders and now he is a big LaDainian Tomlinson fan.</i>
DB 24 Kelvyn Hemphill	<i>Hasn't had a haircut in the last 18 months.</i>
DL 97 Kaschiev Hunter	<i>Likes to cook and his favorite style is West Indian or Jamaican food.</i>
WR 88 Kevett Mickle	<i>Tries to sleep as much as he can: was nicknamed "sleepy" by the Redbird coaches as a freshman.</i>

2007 Illinois State Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (HS/Previous College)	No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (HS/Previous College)
1	Jesse Caesar	DB	5-10	190	Sr.-3L	Rockledge, Fla. (Rockledge)	55	J.W. Sheering	LB	6-2	235	So.-Sq. Clinton, Ill. (Clinton)	
2	Rafael Rice	RB	5-11	220	Sr.-2L	Los Alamitos, Calif. (Mater Dei/Santa Ana)/Fullerton JC	56	Jarrett Karn	OL	6-4	260	Fr.-HS Spring, Texas (Klein)	
4	Drew Kiel	QB	6-3	212	Fr.-HS	Columbus, Ind. (East)	57	Brandon Wilson	DL	6-2	220	So.-1L	San Antonio, Texas (John Jay)
5	Cody White	TE	6-5	240	Fr.-HS	Bloomington, Ill. (Normal West)	58	Mark Whitaker	LB	6-1	220	Sr.-2L	Moline, Ill. (Moline/Drake)
6	Kye Stewart	LB	6-0	210	Sr.-3L	Nashville, Tenn. (Pearl-Cohn)	59	Bill Hronec	LB	6-2	225	Sr.-3L	Evergreen Park, Ill. (Chicago Mt. Carmel)
7	Luke Drone	QB	6-2	210	Sr.-3L	Mt. Carmel, Ill. (Mt. Carmel)	60	Tom Speer	DL	6-4	220	So.-1L	Macomb, Ill. (Macomb)
9	Tom Nelson	DB	6-0	200	Jr.-2L	Arlington Heights, Ill. (John Hersey)	61	Jonathan St-Pierre	OL	6-3	325	Jr.-1L	Longueuil, Quebec (Edouard-Montpetit/Miami [Fla.])
10	Jake Rourke	WR	6-3	195	Jr.-2L	Chatham, Ill. (Glenwood)	62	Mike Piton	DL	6-2	275	Fr.-RS	Palos Hills, Ill. (Stagg)
11	Sam Donatucci	QB	6-5	220	Fr.-HS	Arlington Heights, Ill. (Buffalo Grove)	63	Charles Dennis	OL	6-3	290	Fr.-HS	San Antonio, Texas (East Central)
12	Kevin Brockway	QB	6-4	225	Jr.-2L	Crystal Lake, Ill. (South)	64	Brad Paul	OL	6-4	275	Fr.-RS	Seabrook, Texas (Clear Lake)
13	Andrew Paschal	DB	6-3	205	Jr.-Sq.	Largo, Fla. (Largo/Ft. Scott)	65	Bill Speiser	OL	6-5	300	Sr.-1L	Warrenton, Mo. (Warrenton/Iowa Central CC)
14	Tyler Funk	P/K	6-0	170	Fr.-RS	Racine, Wis. (William Horlick)	66	Isaiah Wiggins	OL	6-4	290	Sr.-3L	Chicago, Ill. (Prosser)
16	Preston Earl	QB	6-2	220	Fr.-RS	Lincolnshire, Ill. (Stevenson)	67	Landon Humbles	OL	6-4	275	Jr.-Sq.	Peoria, Ill. (Richwoods)
17	Jared Dall	WR	5-11	195	Sr.-Sq.	Arlington Heights, Ill. (Prospect/Harper JC)	68	Erik Madsen	OL	6-3	285	Jr.-1L	Bolingbrook, Ill. (Joliet Catholic)
18	Drew Kempe	WR	6-3	205	So.-Sq.	Wheaton, Ill. (Wheaton North)	69	Joe Niklasch	OL	6-4	280	Jr.-2L	Hartland, Wis. (Arrowhead)
19	Bobby Kelsey	K/P	6-1	230	Jr.-2L	Channahon, Ill. (Providence Catholic)	70	Michael Cross	OL	6-5	305	Fr.-RS	Bloomington, Ill. (Normal Community)
20	Casey Kociuba	DB	6-1	200	Fr.-RS	Liberty Hill, Texas (Liberty Hill)	71	Joe Doyle	LS	6-2	230	So.-TR	Wellington, Fla. (Wellington/Antelope Valley CC)
21	Jason Tate	DB	5-11	175	So.-1L	Lake Mary, Fla. (Seminole)	73	Josh Howe	LB	6-0	220	Fr.-HS	Chicago Heights, Ill. (Marian Catholic)
22	Geno Blow	RB	5-11	200	So.-1L	Seabrook, Texas (Clear Lake)	74	Trevor Huddleston	OL	6-6	300	Fr.-HS	Normal, Ill. (Normal West)
23	Mitchell Moore	RB	6-0	210	So.-TR	Gurnee, Ill. (Warren Township/Iowa State)	75	Raymond Sankey	DL	6-2	222	Fr.-HS	Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)
24	Kelvin Hemphill	DB	6-2	180	Fr.-RS	San Antonio, Texas (O'Connor)	76	Chris Riley	OL	6-5	270	Fr.-RS	Wadsworth, Ill. (Warren Township)
25	Chris Garrett	DB	6-0	175	So.-TR	Concord, Calif. (De La Salle/Diablo Valley College)	77	Muhammad Kahlun	OL	6-4	290	So.-Sq.	Garland, Texas (Lakeview Centennial)
26	Cortes Rice	RB	6-2	215	So.-1L	Los Alamitos, Calif. (Los Alamitos)	78	Brandon Joyce	OL	6-5	310	Sr.-1L	St. Charles, Mo. (Duchesne/Indiana)
27	Jermaine Malcolm	DB	6-4	200	Fr.-RS	San Antonio, Texas (Holmes)	79	Tyler Doering	OL	6-5	290	Fr.-HS	Barrington, Ill. (Barrington)
28	Brent Holtz	DB	6-0	200	Fr.-RS	Bloomington, Ill. (Bloomington)	80	Kelvin Chandler	WR	6-2	185	Jr.-TR	Fort Lauderdale, Fla. (Dillard/Pittsburgh)
29	Cameron Thompsons	DB	6-0	175	Fr.-HS	Sanford, Fla. (Winter Springs)	81	Marcus King	WR	6-4	195	Fr.-HS	Bloomington, Ill. (Normal Community)
30	Garry Roberts	DB	6-2	210	Sr.-2L	Edna, Texas (Edna)	82	Dane Zumbahlen	TE	6-5	255	Fr.-RS	Morris, Ill. (Morris)
31	Kurt James	DB	6-1	205	Sr.-Sq.	Elmhurst, Ill. (Immaculate Conception)	83	Dave Mordis	FB	6-3	265	Sr.-3L	Palos Park, Ill. (Stagg)
33	Ansu Kpandeyenge	RB	5-10	205	Jr.-1L	Elgin, Ill. (Larkin)	84	Eyad Salem	WR	6-2	185	So.-TR	Elgin, Ill. (Larkin/Minnesota State-Moorhead)
34	Parrish Fisher	RB	5-10	205	Jr.-TR	Richardson, Texas (J.J. Pearce/Kansas State)	85	Warren McCarty	WR	6-4	205	Sr.-1L	Roscoe, Ill. (Hononegah)
35	Garin Harcar	FB	5-11	260	So.-1L	Grand Ridge, Ill. (Ottawa)	86	Jason Horton	WR	6-0	185	Sr.-3L	Bolingbrook, Ill. (Neuqua Valley)
36	Kevin Mazur	K	5-11	190	Jr.-2L	Mt. Prospect, Ill. (John Hersey)	88	Kevert Mickle	WR	6-3	195	Jr.-TR	Orlando, Fla. (Boone/Hillsborough CC)
37	Josh Mitchell	DB	6-0	175	Fr.-HS	Bloomington, Ill. (Bloomington)	89	Micha Gordon	WR	6-3	190	So.	Peoria, Ill. (Woodruff)
38	Tony Trujillo	LB	6-2	230	Fr.-RS	Salt Lake City, Utah (Cottonwood)	90	Dan Simnick	DL	6-2	270	Sr.-2L	Naperville, Ill. (North)
39	D.J. Grayson	LB	6-0	245	Fr.-RS	Chicago, Ill. (South Shore)	91	Dave Rivas	DL	6-3	255	Fr.-RS	Chicago, Ill. (Gordon Tech)
40	Bert Whigham	TE	6-4	235	So.-Sq.	Lake Mary, Fla. (Seminole)	92	Eric Brunner	DL	6-2	260	Fr.-HS	Greendale, Wis. (Greendale)
41	Dan Weiner	WR	6-1	195	Sr.-Sq.	Chicago, Ill. (New Trier/Palomar)	93	Adam Blankenship	DL	6-2	235	Jr.-1L	Tulsa, Okla. (Union/Nebraska)
42	Jeremy Joynt	TE	6-3	255	Sr.-1L	Emmetsburg, Iowa (Emmetsburg/Iowa Central CC)	94	Jarek Thomas	DL	6-3	275	Sr.-3L	Orlando, Fla. (Edgewater)
43	Casey Cline	FB	6-3	230	Fr.-HS	Gibson City, Ill. (GCMS)	95	Keenan Wimbley	DL	6-2	255	Fr.-HS	Ocoee, Fla. (Edgewater)
44	Wesley Williams	DL	6-1	240	Jr.-TR	Ann Arbor, Mich. (Pioneer/Fullerton College)	96	Babatunde Soyebo	DL	6-5	240	So.-Sq.	Lagos, Nigeria (South Shore [Ill.])
45	Kyle Siskowic	LB	6-1	225	So.-1L	San Diego, Calif. (Clairemont)	97	Kaschiev Hunter	DL	6-2	300	Jr.-2L	Marietta, Ga. (Harrison)
46	Graham Corcoran	DB	5-10	180	So.-Sq.	Warrenville, Ill. (Wheaton-Warrenville South)	99	Nick Williams	DL	6-2	275	Jr.-TR	Plantation, Fla. (Plantation/Pittsburgh)
47	Kedric Meredith	TE	6-3	270	Jr.-2L	Peoria, Ill. (Richwoods)							
48	Pat Cucci	LB	6-1	240	Jr.-2L	Winter Springs, Fla. (Winter Springs)							
49	Antwan Ryles	LB	6-0	215	Fr.-HS	Orlando, Fla. (Edgewater)							
50	Tommie Westbrook	LB	6-0	235	Fr.-RS	Chicago, Ill. (Gordon Tech)							
51	Cal McCarthy	OL/LS	6-2	260	Fr.-HS	Shorewood, Ill. (Minooka)							
52	Mark Martin	LB	6-0	235	Fr.-HS	Milwaukee, Wis. (Riverside University)							
54	Brent Gritton	LB	6-2	230	So.-Sq.	Lincoln, Neb. (Lincoln East)							

Illinois State Individual Career Highs

#93 • Adam Blankenship • DE	#59 • Bill Hronec • LB	#2 • Rafael Rice • TB
Tackles: 5 at Youngstown State, 12-2-06	Tackles: 7 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Rushing Yards: 69 vs. Western Kentucky, 10-8-05
Solos: 3 at Youngstown State, 12-2-06	Solos: 3, twice	Rushing Attempts: 18 vs. Western Kentucky, 10-8-05
Assists: 3 at Indiana State, 11-9-06	Assists: 4 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Rushing TDs: 2, twice
Sacks: 1 at Murray State, 9-23-06	Sacks: 0	Longest Rush: 28 at Youngstown State, 12-2-06
TFLs: 1, twice	TFLs: 1, twice	Receptions: 2 vs. Western Illinois, 10-29-05
#22 • Geno Blow • TB	#97 • Kaschiev Hunter • DL	Receiving Yards: 24 at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Rushing Yards: 69 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06	Tackles: 5 vs. Youngstown State, 10-28-06	
Rushing Attempts: 10 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06	Solos: 3 at Youngstown State, 12-2-06	
Rushing TDs: 0	Assists: 5 vs. Youngstown State, 10-28-06	
Longest Rush: 39 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06	Sacks: 1 vs. Northern Iowa, 10-22-05	
Receptions: 0	TFLs: 1.5 vs. Northern Iowa, 10-22-05	
Receiving Yards: 0	Interceptions: 0	
#12 • Kevin Brockway • QB	#19 • Bobby Kelsey • P	#30 • Gary Roberts • DB
Attempts: 3 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Punts: 7 vs. Youngstown State, 10-28-06	Tackles: 2, four times
Completions: 2 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Punt Yardage: 305 vs. Youngstown State, 10-28-06	Solos: 2 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
Yards: 24 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Average per Punt: 48.0 (two punts) vs. S. Illinois, 10-14-06	Assists: 2 at Western Kentucky, 10-7-06
Touchdowns: 0	Long Punt: 60 vs. Southern Illinois, 10-14-06	Sacks: 0
Long Pass: 13 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Punts Inside 20: 3 vs. Youngstown State, 10-28-06	TFLs: 0.5 vs. Drake, 9-10-05
Interceptions: 0		Interceptions: 1 at Youngstown State, 10-1-05
Rushing Yards: 41 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	#10 • Jake Rourke • WR	
#1 • Jesse Caesar • DB	#33 • Ansu Kpandeyeng • TB	Receptions: 3 at Northern Iowa, 11-18-06
Tackles: 11 vs. Eastern Illinois, 9-16-06	Rushing Yards: 68 vs. Drake, 9-10-05	Receiving Yards: 66 vs. Central Arkansas, 9-9-06
Solos: 6, three times	Rushing Attempts: 5 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Touchdowns: 1 vs. Central Arkansas, 9-9-06
Assists: 5, three times	Rushing TDs: 1 vs. Drake, 9-10-05	Long Reception: 61 vs. Central Arkansas, 9-9-06
Sacks: 0	Longest Rush: 68 vs. Drake, 9-10-05	
TFLs: 2 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Receptions: 0	#90 • Dan Simnick • DL
Interceptions: 1, three times	Receiving Yards: 0	Tackles: 3 vs. Southern Illinois, 10-14-06
#48 • Pat Cucci • LB	#36 • Kevin Mazur • K	Solos: 1, four times
Tackles: 3 at Southern Illinois, 10-15-05	Field Goals Made: 4 vs. Central Arkansas, 9-9-06	Assists: 2 vs. Southern Illinois, 10-14-06
Solos: 1, four times	Field Goals Attempted: 5 vs. Central Arkansas, 9-9-06	Sacks: 0
Assists: 2 at Southern Illinois, 10-15-05	Longest Field Goal: 38 vs. Western Kentucky, 10-8-05	TFLs: 1, twice
Sacks: 0	Most PATS: 7 at Southern Illinois, 10-15-05	Interceptions: 0
TFLs: 0.5 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	#47 • Kedric Meredith • TE	#45 • Kyle Siskowic • LB
Interceptions: 1, three times	Receptions: 2 at Western Illinois, 10-21-06	Tackles: 0
#7 • Luke Drone • QB	Receiving Yards: 19 vs. Missouri State, 11-04-06	Solos: 0
Attempts: 41 at Western Illinois, 10-29-05	Touchdowns: 1 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Assists: 0
Completions: 26 vs. Western Kentucky, 10-8-05	Long Reception: 19 vs. Missouri State, 11-04-06	Sacks: 0
Yards: 440 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05		TFLs: 0
Touchdowns: 5 vs. Drake, 9-10-05	#88 • Kevett Mickle • WR	Interceptions: 0
Long Pass: 90 at Indiana State, 11-9-06	Receptions: 6, twice	#60 • Tom Speer • DL
Interceptions: 4, three times	Receiving Yards: 104 at Indiana State, 10-2-04	Tackles: 0
Rushing Yards: 43 at Youngstown State, 12-2-06	Touchdowns: 2 vs. Southern Illinois, 11-6-04	Solos: 0
#35 • Garin Harcar • FB	Long Reception: 50 vs. Youngstown State, 10-23-04	Assists: 0
Rushing Yards: 0	#9 • Tom Nelson • DB	Sacks: 0
Rushing Attempts: 0	Tackles: 10 vs. Western Kentucky, 10-8-05	TFLs: 2.5 at Kansas State, 9-2-06
Rushing TDs: 0	Solos: 4, three times	Interceptions: 1 vs. Western Kentucky, 10-8-05
Receptions: 1, three times	Assists: 8 at Western Kentucky, 10-7-06	#21 • Jason Tate • DB
Receiving Yards: 4 vs. Eastern Illinois, 9-16-06	Sacks: 0	Tackles: 5 at Northern Iowa, 11-18-06
Receiving TDs: 1, twice	TFLs: 1, twice	Solos: 5 at Northern Iowa, 11-18-06
#86 • Jason Horton • WR	Interceptions: 2 at Kansas State, 9-2-06	Assists: 2 vs. Eastern Illinois, 9-16-06
Receptions: 6, twice	Kickoff Returns: 3, three times	Sacks: 0
Receiving Yards: 120 vs. Southern Illinois, 10-14-06	Kickoff Return Yards: 74 at Western Kentucky, 10-7-06	TFLs: 1 at Murray State, 9-23-06
Touchdowns: 2 vs. Drake, 9-10-05	Long Kickoff Return: 57 at Youngstown State, 12-2-06	Interceptions: 1, twice
Long Reception: 68 vs. Southern Illinois, 10-14-06	#26 • Cortes Rice • TB	#94 • Jarek Thomas • DL
Kickoff Returns: 3 at Kansas State, 9-2-06	Rushing Yards: 121 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05	Tackles: 6 vs. Eastern Illinois, 9-18-04
Kickoff Return Yards: 76 at Youngstown State, 12-2-06	Rushing Attempts: 18 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05	Solos: 3, three times
Long Kickoff Return: 42 at Youngstown State, 12-2-06	Rushing TDs: 3 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05	Assists: 4, five times
Punt Returns: 3, six times	Longest Rush: 15 at Missouri State, 11-5-05	Sacks: 1, five times
Punt Return Yards: 67 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Receptions: 1, twice	TFLs: 3 vs. Central Arkansas, 9-9-06
Long Punt Return: 51 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05	Receiving Yards: 25 at Missouri State, 11-5-05	Interceptions: 1, twice

Illinois State Individual Career Highs
#58 • Mark Whitaker • LB

Tackles: 4 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
 Solos: 2 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
 Assists: 2 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
 Sacks: 0
 TFLs: 0
 Interceptions: 0

#57 • Brandon Wilson • DE

Tackles: 1, five times
 Solos: 1, twice
 Assists: 1, three times
 Sacks: 0
 TFLs: 0
 Interceptions: 0

The Sports Network Poll

Team (first-place votes)	Pts	Prv Rank
1. Appalachian State (67)	1771	1
2. Montana (3)	1680	3
3. Massachusetts	1551	2
4. North Dakota State	1548	5
5. Youngstown State*	1417	4
6. New Hampshire (1)	1393	6
7. Illinois State	1227	8
8. James Madison	1149	9
9. Northern Iowa*	1141	17
10. McNeese State	1059	21
11. Furman	1058	12
12. Southern Illinois*	935	7
13. Portland State	866	19
14. Wofford	810	23
15. Cal Poly	719	16
16. Hampton	567	11
17. Eastern Illinois	546	15
18. Sam Houston State	352	NR
19. Delaware	340	NR
20. South Dakota State	336	22
21. Montana State	332	10
22. UT-Martin	300	13
23. Coastal Carolina	272	14
24. Yale	166	25
25. South Carolina State	133	NR

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The FCS Coaches Poll

Team (first-place votes)	Pts	Prv Rank
1. Appalachian State (27)	699	
2. Montana	656	
3. Massachusetts (1)	612	
4. North Dakota State	609	
5. New Hampshire	559	
6. Youngstown State*	550	
7. James Madison	477	
8. Illinois State	471	
9. Northern Iowa*	424	
10. Furman	416	
11. Southern Illinois*	406	
12. McNeese State	365	
13. Portland State	313	
14. Cal Poly	302	
15. Wofford	265	
16. Hampton	242	
17. Eastern Illinois	203	
18. UT-Martin	202	
19. South Dakota State	198	
20. Coastal Carolina	191	
21. Delaware	172	
22. Montana State	168	
23. Sam Houston State	130	
24. Yale	76	
25. Princeton	50	

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Redbirds in the Polls

	TSN	FCS
Preseason	7	8

Illinois State 56, Drake 19

Sept. 10, 2005 • Normal, Ill. • Hancock Stadium

Attendance: 8,188

► GAME SUMMARY
Redbird Offense Puts a Leash on the Bulldogs, 56-19

NORMAL, Ill. -- The Illinois State offense put on a show in its first home game of the season, amassing 617 total yards of offense against Drake in front of 8,188 at Hancock Stadium. The win was the fifth in a row for the Redbirds over the Bulldogs.

Illinois State led at the half, 29-19, with both teams scoring more points

in the first half than they did in their first games of the year. Drake got on the scoreboard first with a 15-yard touchdown pass from Connor Jostes to Shea Moroni on its third possession of the game. However, the Redbirds blocked the ensuing extra point attempt and returned it 94 yards for the two-point conversion, making the score 6-2 with 8:05 left in the first quarter.

After trading scores throughout the first quarter and into the second, Illinois State broke the game open for good when quarterback Luke Drone connected with Laurent Robinson for an 88-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter, bringing the score to 26-12. However, Drake put together a two-play, 52-yard drive in 25 seconds to bring the score closer at 26-19.

Illinois State continued the scoring barrage in the second half, scoring four touchdowns while shutting out Drake. The first touchdown of the half came by way of Robinson's third touchdown catch of the day from Drone, bringing the score to 35-19. Jason Horton's second touchdown of the game was the Redbirds' second of the half and Rafael Rice added the third, the first rushing touchdown of his career. Ansu Kpandeyenge capped off the Redbird scoring with a 68-yard run in the fourth quarter, bringing the final score to 56-19.


LAST TIME
► Scoring Summary

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Drake (0-2)	12	7	0	0	19
ILLINOIS STATE (1-1)	9	20	13	14	56

FIRST QUARTER

DU – Moroni 15-yard pass from Jostes (Horvath kick blocked), 8:10
 ILS – Barber PAT return, 8:10

ILS – Horton 13-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 4:35

DU – Marx 9-yard pass from Jostes (Horvath kick blocked), 1:14

SECOND QUARTER

ILS – Robinson 6-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 8:42

ILS – Mazur 34-yard field goal, 6:20

ILS – Robinson 88-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 3:41

DU – Marx 42-yard pass from Jostes (Horvath kick), 2:41

ILS – Mazur 34-yard field goal, :02

THIRD QUARTER

ILS – Robinson 4-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick failed), 7:31

ILS – Horton 25-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 2:43

FOURTH QUARTER

ILS – R. Rice 2-yard run (Mazur kick), 8:14

ILS – Kpandeyenge 68-yard run (Mazur kick), 1:13

► Team Statistics

	ILS	DU
First Downs	30	14
Rushing Attempts-Yards	47-273	38-108
Passing	24-38-1	13-26-2
Passing Yards	344	130
Total Offense	617	238
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	11-127	3-20
Time of Possession	34:10	25:50

► Individual Statistics

RUSHING: (ILS) – Thompson 18-72, Drone 4-14, Rembert 12-70, Kpandeyenge 1-68, R. Rice 11-53, Horton 1-3. (DU) – Phaydavong 16-55, Bialas 8-37, Goodwin 6-19, Cashmore 1-2, Cleveland 1-(2), Jostes 6-(3).

PASSING: (ILS) – Drone 23-37-1-342, Brockway 1-1-0-2. (DU) – Jostes 13-24-1-130, Ingle 0-1-0-0, Rutherford 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: (ILS) – Robinson 9-161, Horton 5-51, Mordis 2-46, Jackson 2-24, Rembert 2-18, Passarelli, D. 1-13, Denley 1-12, Hayden 1-11, Thompson 1-6, Arndt 1-2. (DU) – Moroni 4-41, Putnam 4-18, Marx 2-51, Belville 2-15, Bialas 1-5.

TACKLE LEADERS: (ILS) – Siskowic 4-5-9, Barber 3-4-7, Nelson 4-2-6, Temple 3-3-6. (DU) – Ross 5-8-13, Adams 7-5-12, Green 6-2-8, Denison 5-3-8.

Illinois State's All-Time Series vs. Drake
Illinois State leads, 5-2

1981	14-Nov	10	13	H	L
1982	13-Nov	35	42	H	L
1983	24-Sep	36	17	A	W
1984	29-Sep	28	0	H	W
1985	26-Oct	10	3	A	W
2003	28-Aug	27	13	H	W
2005	19-Sep	56	19	H	W

2006 Illinois State Statistics
Game Results

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score	Attendance
09-02-06	at Kansas State	L	23-24	47250
09-09-06	CENTRAL ARKANSAS	W	18-3	10262
09-16-06	#18 EASTERN ILLINOIS	W	44-30	12512
09-23-06	at Murray State	W	35-14	4075
* 10-07-06	at Western Kentucky	W	28-27	7661
* 10-14-06	#7 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS	W	37-10	17237
* 10-21-06	at Western Illinois	W	27-14	9220
* 10-28-06	#10 YOUNGSTOWN STATE	L	13-27	15372
* 11-04-06	MISSOURI STATE	W	38-14	8638
* 11-09-06	at Indiana State	W	42-20	2341
* 11-18-06	at #20 Northern Iowa	L	27-38	10827
11-25-06	at #14 Eastern Illinois	W	24-13	4400
12-02-06	at #4 Youngstown State	L	21-28	10813

Team Statistics

	ILS	OPP
FIRST DOWNS	262	229
Rushing	125	116
Passing	123	107
Penalty	14	6
RUSHING YARDAGE	2206	1931
Yards gained rushing	2489	2128
Yards lost rushing	283	197
Rushing Attempts	520	452
Average Per Rush	4.2	4.3
Average Per Game	169.7	148.5
TDs Rushing	26	14
PASSING YARDAGE	2961	2443
Att-Comp-Int	351-203-14	361-205-17
Average Per Pass	8.4	6.8
Average Per Catch	14.6	11.9
Average Per Game	227.8	187.9
TDs Passing	21	15
TOTAL OFFENSE	5167	4374
Total Plays	871	813
Average Per Play	5.9	5.4
Average Per Game	397.5	336.5
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	40-866	54-1042
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	18-120	14-127
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	17-274	14-156
FUMBLES-LOST	8-4	13-6
PENALTIES-YARDS	61-533	72-565
PUNTS-AVG	43-39.8	54-36.6
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	30:44	29:16
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	89/178	74/171
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	9/17	9/21

Score by Quarters

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Illinois State	65	108	85	119	377
Opponents	57	90	59	56	262

Rushing

	G	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Rembert,Pierre	13	355	1813	70	1743	4.9	16	56	134.1
Rice,Rafael	13	71	384	16	368	5.2	6	28	28.3
Blow,Geno	6	19	97	3	94	4.9	0	39	15.7
Drone,Luke	13	57	173	123	50	0.9	4	18	3.8
Abrams,Alan	8	3	17	0	17	5.7	0	11	2.1
Robinson,Laurent	9	1	5	0	5	5.0	0	5	0.6
Horton,Jason	13	1	0	5	-5	-5.0	0	0	-0.4
TEAM	8	13	0	66	-66	-5.1	0	0	-8.2
Total.....	13	520	2489	283	2206	4.2	26	56	169.7
Opponents.....	13	452	2128	197	1931	4.3	14	43	148.5

Passing

	G	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
Drone,Luke	13	141.84	203-349-13	58.2	2961	21	90	227.8
Passarelli,Dan	13	-200.00	0-1-1	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM	8	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total.....	13	140.46	203-351-14	57.8	2961	21	90	227.8
Opponents.....	13	117.93	205-361-17	56.8	2443	15	75	187.9

Receiving

	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Jackson,Pierre	13	46	790	17.2	6	70	60.8
Robinson,Laurent	9	40	718	18.0	7	90	79.8
Horton,Jason	13	33	500	15.2	2	68	38.5
Passarelli,Dan	13	20	242	12.1	1	36	18.6
Mordis,Dave	13	20	185	9.2	1	22	14.2
Rourke,Jake	13	16	345	21.6	1	61	26.5
Rembert,Pierre	13	15	90	6.0	1	31	6.9
Rice,Rafael	13	5	40	8.0	0	24	3.1
Meredith,Kedric	13	4	42	10.5	0	19	3.2
Harcar,Garin	13	3	6	2.0	2	4	0.5
Drone,Luke	13	1	3	3.0	0	3	0.2
Total.....	13	203	2961	14.6	21	90	227.8
Opponents.....	13	205	2443	11.9	15	75	187.9

2006 Illinois State Statistics
Punt Returns

	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Horton,Jason	16	104	6.5	0	32
Passarelli,Dan	1	10	10.0	0	10
Nelson,Tom	1	6	6.0	0	6
Total.....	18	120	6.7	0	32
Opponents.....	14	127	9.1	1	81

Interceptions

	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Nelson,Tom	4	63	15.8	0	34
Temple,James	3	32	10.7	0	32
Siskowic,Cameron	2	2	1.0	0	1
Caesar,Jesse	2	45	22.5	1	45
Thomas,Jarek	2	29	14.5	1	28
Tate,Jason	2	53	26.5	1	41
Campbell,Niall	1	24	24.0	0	24
Kittrell,Leon	1	26	26.0	0	26
Total.....	17	274	16.1	3	45
Opponents.....	14	156	11.1	1	87

Kick Returns

	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Nelson,Tom	20	445	22.2	0	57
Horton,Jason	13	292	22.5	0	42
Rembert,Pierre	4	76	19.0	0	32
Joyst,Jeremy	1	15	15.0	0	15
Whitaker,Mark	1	21	21.0	0	21
Passarelli,Dan	1	17	17.0	0	17
Total.....	40	866	21.6	0	57
Opponents.....	54	1042	19.3	0	49

Scoring

	/----- PATs -----/								
	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	
Rembert,Pierre	17	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0-0	0	0	102
Mazur,Kevin	0	11-19	44-46	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	77
Robinson,Laurent	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	42
Rice,Rafael	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
Jackson,Pierre	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
Drone,Luke	4	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0-1	0	0	24
Harcar,Garin	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Horton,Jason	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Rourke,Jake	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Mordis,Dave	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Passarelli,Dan	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Tate,Jason	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Caesar,Jesse	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Thomas,Jarek	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Kelsey,Bobby	0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	0
Total.....	50	11-20	44-46	0-2	0	0-1	0	0	377
Opponents.....	32	13-18	27-30	0-0	2	2-2	0	0	262

Total Offense

	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
Drone,Luke	13	406	50	2961	3011	231.6
Rembert,Pierre	13	355	1743	0	1743	134.1
Rice,Rafael	13	71	368	0	368	28.3
Blow,Geno	6	19	94	0	94	15.7
Abrams,Alan	8	3	17	0	17	2.1
Robinson,Laurent	9	1	5	0	5	0.6
Horton,Jason	13	1	-5	0	-5	-0.4
TEAM	8	14	-66	0	-66	-8.2
Total.....	13	871	2206	2961	5167	397.5
Opponents.....	13	813	1931	2443	4374	336.5

Field Goals

	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
Mazur,Kevin	11-19	57.9	1-1	6-8	4-8	0-1	0-1	37	1
Kelsey,Bobby	0-1	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0	0

Punting

	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	I20	Blkd
Kelsey,Bobby	40	1578	39.5	60	7	8	12	0
Mazur,Kevin	3	133	44.3	48	2	0	0	0
Total.....	43	1711	39.8	60	9	8	12	0
Opponents.....	54	1975	36.6	60	2	9	15	0

All-Purpose

	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	Tot	Avg/G
Rembert,Pierre	13	1743	90	0	76	0	1909	146.8
Horton,Jason	13	-5	500	104	292	0	891	68.5
Jackson,Pierre	13	0	790	0	0	0	790	60.8
Robinson,Laurent	9	5	718	0	0	0	723	80.3
Nelson,Tom	13	0	0	6	445	63	514	39.5
Rice,Rafael	13	368	40	0	0	0	408	31.4
Rourke,Jake	13	0	345	0	0	0	345	26.5
Passarelli,Dan	13	0	242	10	17	0	269	20.7
Mordis,Dave	13	0	185	0	0	0	185	14.2
Blow,Geno	6	94	0	0	0	0	94	15.7
Drone,Luke	13	50	3	0	0	0	53	4.1
Tate,Jason	13	0	0	0	0	53	53	4.1
Caesar,Jesse	13	0	0	0	0	45	45	3.5
Meredith,Kedric	13	0	42	0	0	0	42	3.2
Temple,James	13	0	0	0	0	32	32	2.5
Thomas,Jarek	13	0	0	0	0	29	29	2.2
Kittrell,Leon	13	0	0	0	0	26	26	2.0
Campbell,Niall	13	0	0	0	0	24	24	1.8
Whitaker,Mark	13	0	0	0	21	0	21	1.6
Abrams,Alan	8	17	0	0	0	0	17	2.1
Joyst,Jeremy	13	0	0	0	15	0	15	1.2
Harcar,Garin	13	0	6	0	0	0	6	0.5
Siskowic,Cameron	13	0	0	0	0	2	2	0.2
TEAM	8	-66	0	0	0	0	-66	-8.2
Total.....	13	2206	2961	120	866	274	6427	494.4
Opponents.....	13	1931	2443	127	1042	156	5699	438.4
Opponents.....	10	1395	2063	128	855	12	4453	445.3

2006 Illinois State Statistics**Defensive Statistics**

	GP	TACKLES			NO-YARDS	PASS DEF			FUMBLES			BLKD	
		SOLO	AST	TOTAL		INT-YDS	BRUP	QBH	RCV-YDS	FF	KICK	KICK	SAF
40	Siskowic,Cameron	13-12	75	79	154	5.0-9	2.0-2	2-2	1	2	.	.	3
6	Stewart,Kye	12-12	57	69	126	11.0-32	2.0-16	.	3	1	.	.	.
44	Campbell,Niall	13-12	54	52	106	7.0-22	2.0-16	1-24	6	1	.	2	.
1	Caesar,Jesse	13-13	43	20	63	2.0-3	.	2-45	4	2	2-33	.	.
28	Temple,James	13-13	38	24	62	0.5-1	.	3-32	8	.	1-20	2	.
25	Kittrell,Leon	13-13	23	19	42	.	.	1-26	7	.	.	.	.
73	Martindale,Justin	13-13	17	25	42	5.5-20	1.5-7	.	3	.	1	.	.
9	Nelson,Tom	13-13	18	24	42	1.0-1	.	4-63	10	.	.	.	.
94	Thomas,Jarek	13-12	17	18	35	6.0-12	1.0-1	2-29	.	4	.	.	.
95	Tate,Ronnie	13-8	20	14	34	7.5-36	3.0-26	.	4	7	1-0	1	.
3	Filin,Alex	13-2	19	11	30	8.0-30	5.0-20	.	2	.	1	.	.
37	Tate,Jason	13-0	15	6	21	1.0-3	.	2-53	.	.	.	.	.
97	Hunter,Kaschiev	11-2	5	13	18	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
93	Blankenship,Adam	13-6	8	9	17	3.0-19	1.0-13	.	1	.	.	.	.
99	Stevenson,James	13-5	7	10	17	2.5-5	0.5-1	.	2	1-0	.	.	.
34	Hawkins,Marques	13-1	5	10	15	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Roberts,Garry	13-0	6	5	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90	Simnick,Dan	13-4	2	6	8	1.0-1	.	.	.	1-0	.	1	.
59	Hronec,Bill	13-1	4	3	7	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
58	Whitaker,Mark	13-0	3	4	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23	Lagrone,Lamont	8-0	4	1	5	1.0-7	1.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	Wilson,Brandon	12-0	2	3	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
19	Kelsey,Bobby	12-0	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
83	Mordis,Dave	13-13	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	Jackson,Pierre	13-13	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
48	Cucci,Pat	13-1	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	Foster,Jeremy	7-0	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
80	Passarelli,Dan	13-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36	Mazur,Kevin	13-0	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
43	Weber,Jake	13-0	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
51	Carroll,Brennan	4-0	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
69	Niklasch,Joe	13-13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7	Drone,Luke	13-13	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total.....		13-0	460	437	897	64-204	16-101	17-274	43	25	6-53	10	1
Opponents.....		13-0	506	394	900	72.0-250	18-98	14-156	51	17	4-9	5	1

The Redbirds' Record When ...

2007 DJ Era*

Playing at home	0-0	26-14
Playing on the road	0-0	15-25
Playing on a neutral field	0-0	0-0
Playing at night	0-0	15-11
Playing during the day	0-0	26-28
ISU scores on first possession	0-0	18-6
Opponent scores on first possession	0-0	12-19
ISU scores first	0-0	23-9
Opponent scores first	0-0	17-29
ISU leads after the 1st quarter	0-0	21-8
Opponent leads after 1st quarter	0-0	10-25
ISU leads at halftime	0-0	28-8
Opponent leads at halftime	0-0	8-30
ISU leads after 3rd quarter	0-0	29-6
Opponent leads after 3rd quarter	0-0	9-32
Game goes into overtime	0-0	1-2
ISU has more total yards	0-0	33-17
Opponent has more total yards	0-0	7-23
ISU has more rushing yards	0-0	32-13
Opponent has more rushing yards	0-0	8-27
ISU has more passing yards	0-0	28-23
Opponent has more passing yards	0-0	12-16
ISU has more turnovers	0-0	13-25
Opponent has more turnovers	0-0	21-9
Teams have equal turnovers	0-0	6-5
ISU has more penalties	0-0	20-18
Opponent has more penalties	0-0	16-20
ISU has more time of possession	0-0	23-16
Opponent has more time of possession	0-0	16-24
ISU has 100-yard rusher	0-0	34-17
Opponent has 100-yard rusher	0-0	15-24
ISU scores at least 20 points	0-0	36-19
Opponent scores at least 20 points	0-0	15-36
ISU throws for 300 yards	0-0	9-5
Opponent throws for 300 yards	0-0	1-10
Playing on natural grass	0-0	3-7
Playing on artificial surface	0-0	36-34
ISU defense scores	0-0	8-6
Opponent defense scores	0-0	3-11
ISU returns KO/Punt for TD	0-0	1-0
Opponent returns KO/Punt for TD	0-0	2-3

*Denotes the Denver Johnson era (2000-present)

The Last Time it Happened
ILLINOIS STATE INDIVIDUAL

Rushed for 100 yards	114, Pierre Rembert at Youngstown State, 12-2-06
Rushed for 200 yards	210, Pierre Rembert at Northern Iowa, 11-18-06
Passed for 200 yards	258, Luke Drone at Northern Iowa, 11-18-06
Passed for 300 yards	305, Luke Drone vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
Passed for 400 yards	440, Luke Drone vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
Had 10 receptions	14, Laurént Robinson vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
Had 100 yards receiving	169, Laurént Robinson at Indiana State, 11-9-06
Returned a punt for a TD	Joe Walkins (52 yards) vs. Y'stown St., 10-23-04
Returned a kickoff for a TD	LaShawn Bullock (97 yards) vs. Y'stown St., 10-23-04
Returned an interception for a TD	Jesse Caesar (45 yards) at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Returned a fumble for a TD	James Temple (56 yards) vs. Western Kentucky, 10-8-05
Returned a blocked FG for a TD	Armando Andrade (85 yards) vs. W. Va. Tech, 8-31-00
Returned a blocked punt for a TD	Justin Frierson (28 yards) vs. Prairie View A&M, 10-21-00
Rushed for three touchdowns	3, Pierre Rembert vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
Threw three touchdown passes	4, Luke Drone at Indiana State, 11-9-06
Caught three touchdown passes	3, Laurént Robinson vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
Kicked three field goals	4, Kevin Mazur vs. Central Arkansas, 9-9-06
Had a 70-yard run from scrimmage	70, Demetrius Johnson vs. Saint Xavier, 9-2-04
Had a 70-yard pass completion	90, Luke Drone to Laurént Robinson at Indiana St., 11-9-06
Had 20 tackles	22, Cameron Siskowic vs. Eastern Illinois, 9-16-06
Had a 50-yard field goal	50, Stephen Carroll at S. Illinois, 10-14-03
Had a 70-yard punt	70, Ryan Hoffman vs. Y'stown St., 10-23-04

ILLINOIS STATE TEAM

400 yards rushing	405 vs. Youngstown State, 11-14-98
300 yards rushing	341 at Missouri State, 11-5-05
400 yards passing	440 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
300 yards passing	305 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
500 yards total offense	527 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
30 first downs	35 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
50 points	70 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
Scored a safety	at Youngstown State (sacked punter), 10-25-03
Posted a shutout	Illinois State 42, Murray State 0, 9-24-05
Held an opponent under 100 yards rushing	59 at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Held an opponent under 100 yards passing	79 at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Held an opponent under 200 total yards	135 vs. Murray State, 9-24-05
Held an opponent under 100 total yards	87 vs. Lincoln, 9-1-84
Blocked a punt	at Northern Iowa, 11-13-04
Blocked a field goal	vs. Drake, 9-10-05
Blocked an extra point attempt	vs. Youngstown State, 10-28-06

OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL

Rushed for 100 yards	138, Marcus Mason, Youngstown State, 12-2-06
Rushed for 200 yards	207, Julian Reese, Indiana State, 11-10-01
Passed for 200 yards	279, Reilly Murphy, Indiana State, 11-9-06
Passed for 300 yards	314, Bret Meyer, Iowa State, 9-3-05
Passed for 400 yards	460, A.J. Porter, Missouri State, 11-8-03
Had 10 receptions	10, Jeff Hewitt, Missouri State, 11-18-00
Had 100 yards receiving	105, Jeremy Nicholson, Missouri State, 11-04-06
Returned a punt for a TD	81, Yamon Figurs, Kansas State, 9-2-06
Returned a kickoff for a TD	Steven Rush (100 yards), Missouri State, 10-9-04
Returned an interception for a TD	Terrance Sanders (87 yards), Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Returned a fumble for a TD	9, Byron Garwin, Kansas State, 9-26-06
Returned a blocked FG for a TD	Travis Williams (66 yards), Illinois, 9-6-03
Returned a blocked punt for a TD	Jason Newell (5 yards), Southern Illinois, 10-6-01
Rushed for three touchdowns	3, Andre Forte, Indiana State, 11-12-05
Threw three touchdown passes	3, Mike Donato, Eastern Illinois, 9-16-06
Caught three touchdown passes	4, Steven Rush, Missouri State, 11-8-03
Kicked three field goals	3, Chris James, Western Kentucky, 10-8-05
Had a 70-yard run from scrimmage	80, Laurence Maroney, Minnesota, 9-11-04
Had a 70-yard pass completion	75, Zach Barnard to Dante Woods, Murray State 9-23-06
Had 20 tackles	21, Ian Dominelli, Youngstown State, 10-30-99
Had a 50-yard field goal	52, Jeff Snodgrass, Kansas State, 9-2-06
Had a 70-yard punt	74, Jim Hannula, Northern Illinois, 9-30-78

OPPONENT TEAM

400 yards rushing	474, Western Kentucky, 11-3-01
300 yards rushing	352, Youngstown State, 10-28-06
400 yards passing	460, Missouri State, 11-8-03
300 yards passing	314, Iowa State, 9-3-05
500 yards total offense	504, Western Illinois, 10-29-05
30 first downs	32, UNLV, 9-27-97
50 points	58, Western Kentucky, 11-3-01
Scored a safety	Iowa State, 9-3-05
Posted a shutout	Florida Atlantic 28, Illinois State 0, 11-20-04
Held ISU under 100 yards rushing	18, Youngstown State, 10-28-06
Held ISU under 100 yards passing	53, Drake, 8-28-03
Held ISU under 200 total yards	161, Youngstown State, 10-28-06
Held ISU under 100 total yards	94, Central State, 9-9-89
Blocked a punt	Drake, 9-10-05
Blocked a field goal	Southern Illinois, 10-14-06
Blocked an extra point attempt	Northern Iowa, 11-18-06

2007 Illinois State Opponents' Schedule and Results
Drake (0-0)

A30	at Illinois State	6:30 p.m.
S8	Waldorf	6 p.m.
S15	at UW-Platteville	1 p.m.
S22	Northern Iowa	6 p.m.
S29	Valparaiso*	1 p.m.
O6	Butler*	1 p.m.
O13	at San Diego*	8 p.m.
O20	at Davidson*	6 p.m.
O27	Jacksonville*	1 p.m.
N3	at Morehead State*	noon
N10	Dayton*	1 p.m.

Murray State (0-0)

A30	at Louisville	6:30 p.m.
S8	at Illinois State	6:30 p.m.
S15	Lambuth	6 p.m.
S20	at Tennessee Tech*	7 p.m.
S29	Jacksonville State*	3 p.m.
O13	Eastern Illinois*	3 p.m.
O20	at SE Missouri State*	1 p.m.
O27	Eastern Kentucky*	noon
N3	at Tennessee State*	5 p.m.
N10	at UT-Martin*	noon
N17	Austin Peay*	noon

Eastern Illinois (0-0)

A30	Tennessee Tech*	6 p.m.
S8	at Purdue	11 a.m.
S15	Illinois State	6 p.m.
S22	at Indiana State	5 p.m.
S29	at SE Missouri State*	6 p.m.
O6	Eastern Kentucky*	1:30 p.m.
O13	at Murray State*	3 p.m.
O20	UT-Martin*	1:30 p.m.
O27	at Tennessee State*	6 p.m.
N10	at Jacksonville State*	noon
N17	Samford*	1:30 p.m.

Missouri (0-0)

S1	vs. Illinois	2:30 p.m.
S8	at Mississippi	5 p.m.
S15	Western Michigan	1 p.m.
S22	Illinois State	1 p.m.
O6	Nebraska*	tba
O13	at Oklahoma*	tba
O20	Texas Tech*	tba
O27	Iowa State*	tba
N3	at Colorado*	tba
N10	Texas A&M*	tba
N17	at Kansas State*	tba
N24	vs. Kansas*	tba

Northern Iowa (0-0)

A30	Minnesota State	7:05 p.m.
S8	at Iowa State	6 p.m.
S15	at South Dakota State	7 p.m.
S22	at Drake	6 p.m.
S29	at Illinois State*	1:30 p.m.
O13	Southern Illinois*	4:05 p.m.
O20	at Western Illinois*	6:30 p.m.
O27	Youngstown State*	3 p.m.
N3	at Missouri State*	1 p.m.
N10	Indiana State*	5:05 p.m.
N17	Southern Utah	5:05 p.m.

Missouri State (0-0)

A30	Missouri-Rolla	7 p.m.
S6	at UT-Martin	6 p.m.
S15	at Kansas State	6 p.m.
S22	Central Arkansas	6 p.m.
S29	at Youngstown State*	5 p.m.
O6	Illinois State*	2 p.m.
O13	at Western Illinois*	1:05 p.m.
O20	at Southern Illinois*	1:30 p.m.
O27	Indiana State*	1:30 p.m.
N3	Northern Iowa*	1 p.m.
N10	SE Missouri State	1 p.m.

Indiana State (0-0)

S1	at Indiana	7 p.m.
S8	Austin Peay	5 p.m.
S15	at SE Missouri State	5 p.m.
S22	Eastern Illinois	5 p.m.
S29	Southern Illinois*	11 a.m.
O6	Western Illinois*	11 a.m.
O13	at Illinois State*	1:30 p.m.
O20	Western Kentucky	1 p.m.
O27	at Missouri State*	1:30 p.m.
N3	Youngstown State*	11 a.m.
N10	at Northern Iowa*	4:05 p.m.

Youngstown State (0-0)

S1	at Ohio State	11 a.m.
S8	South Dakota State	5 p.m.
S15	Stony Brook	3 p.m.
S22	Lock Haven	3 p.m.
S29	Missouri State*	5 p.m.
O6	at Southern Illinois*	3:30 p.m.
O13	Southern Utah	3 p.m.
O20	Illinois State*	3 p.m.
O27	at Northern Iowa*	4:05 p.m.
N3	at Indiana State*	11 a.m.
N10	Western Illinois*	noon

Western Illinois (0-0)

A30	South Dakota State	6:05 p.m.
S8	at Illinois	6 p.m.
S15	Saint Francis	6:05 p.m.
S22	at Stephen F. Austin	6 p.m.
S29	North Dakota State	1:05 p.m.
O6	at Indiana State*	11 a.m.
O13	Missouri State*	1:05 p.m.
O20	Northern Iowa*	6:30 p.m.
O27	at Illinois State*	1:30 p.m.
N3	Southern Illinois*	1:05 p.m.
N10	at Youngstown State*	noon

North Dakota State (0-0)

S8	Stephen F. Austin	6:35 p.m.
S15	Sam Houston State	6 p.m.
S22	at Central Michigan	2:30 p.m.
S29	at Western Illinois	1:05 p.m.
O6	UC Davis*	1 p.m.
O13	at Mississippi Valley State	2 p.m.
O20	at Minnesota	tba
O27	Southern Utah*	1 p.m.
N3	Illinois State	6 p.m.
N10	at Cal Poly*	6:05 p.m.
N17	at South Dakota State*	1 p.m.

Southern Illinois (0-0)

A30	Quincy	6 p.m.
S8	at Northern Illinois	6:30 p.m.
S15	at Southern Utah	6 p.m.
S22	Arkansas-Pine Bluff	1:30 p.m.
S29	at Indiana State*	noon
O6	Youngstown State*	2:30 p.m.
O13	at Northern Iowa*	4:05 p.m.
O20	Missouri State*	1:30 p.m.
N3	at Western Illinois*	1:05 p.m.
N10	Illinois State*	1:30 p.m.
N17	at Hampton	1 p.m.