



GAME 18

Illinois State Redbirds (9-8, 1-5)

VS.

Missouri State Bears (13-4, 4-2)

January 15, 2007 • 7:05 p.m. CT

Redbird Arena (10,200) • Normal, Ill.

ILLINOIS STATE BASKETBALL

N12 vs. SMU*	L 55-57
N13 at Florida State*	L 59-73
N14 vs. McNeese State*	W 67-50
N20 CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE	W 66-44
N25 at St. John's	W 78-65
N29 SACRAMENTO STATE	W 86-69
D2 UT-ARLINGTON	W 86-61
D5 MIAMI (OHIO)	W 64-40
D9 at Evansville*	L 41-69
D16 at Western Michigan	L 57-65
D19 LEWIS	W 85-66
D23 at Illinois-Chicago	W 77-69
D29 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	L 49-68
J1 at Creighton*	L 71-79
J6 INDIANA STATE* (Valley-TV)	L 50-54
J9 NORTHERN IOWA*	W 67-64 (ot)
J13 at Drake* (Mediacom)	L 66-70
J15 MISSOURI STATE* (Mediacom) 7:05 pm	
J18 WICHITA STATE* (NOW 22)	7:05 pm
J21 DRAKE*	2:05 pm
J24 at Bradley* (WEEK-TV)	7:35 pm
J27 at Southern Illinois*	2:05 pm
J30 EVANSVILLE*	7:05 pm
F3 BRADLEY* (WMBD-TV)	7:05 pm
F6 at Missouri State* (ESPNU)	8:05 pm
F11 at Wichita State*	2:05 pm
F14 at Indiana State* (WTWO-TV)	7:05 pm
F17 ESPN BRACKETBUSTERS	TBA
F20 CREIGHTON*	7:05 pm
F24 at Northern Iowa*	TBA
M1-4 at State Farm Missouri Valley Conference Tournament (St. Louis, Mo.)	

• Colonial Classic (Tallahassee, Fla.)

* Missouri Valley Conference game

Home games in CAPS; Times listed as Central

RADIO COVERAGE

Redbird Radio Network

▶ Dick Luedke, play-by-play

▶ Mike Matthews, color analyst

▶ Bruce Evans, sideline

▶ L.A. Decker, studio host

Flagship: WJBC(1230 AM, Bloomington)

Affiliates: WBIG (AM 1280/Aurora), WJEZ (FM 98.9/Dwight),
and WFMB (AM 1450/Springfield)

TV COVERAGE

Mediacom (Springfield, Mo.)

▶ Don West, play-by-play

▶ Dan Lucy, color analyst

THE STARTERS

Illinois State Redbirds ▶ ▶ ▶



0
Osiris Eldridge
▶ Guard
Fr.-HS • 6-3 • 190
Chicago, Ill.
PPG RPG APG
8.4 3.6 0.9




5
Boo Richardson
▶ Guard
Jr.-TR • 5-8 • 160
Kansas City, Kan.
PPG RPG APG
10.8 2.8 5.7



10
Dom Johnson
▶ Guard
Jr.-TR • 6-0 • 185
Bell City, Mo.
PPG RPG APG
10.7 1.9 3.0



32
Levi Dyer
▶ Center
Jr.-2L • 6-11 • 220
Eaton, Colo.
PPG RPG BPG
7.8 3.6 0.5



50
Greg Dilligard
▶ Forward
Sr.-3L • 6-8 • 230
Labelle, Mo.
PPG RPG BPG
8.6 5.8 1.1

Missouri State Bears ▶ ▶ ▶

							ppg	rpg	apg
F	0	Nathan Bilyeu	6-6	215	Sr.	Ozark, Mo.	9.9	4.3	2.1
F	3	Tyler Chaney	6-5	205	Sr.	Neosho, Mo.	10.7	4.9	3.4
C	42	Drew Richards	6-9	250	Jr.	Rogersville, Mo.	8.0	4.8	1.5*
G	10	Spencer Laurie	6-1	180	Jr.	Springfield, Mo.	6.9	2.5	5.3
G	15	Blake Ahearn	6-2	190	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.	16.2	1.7	2.1

* blocked shots per game

STORYLINES

- ▶ Both the Redbirds and the Bears enter tonight's game coming off a road loss on Saturday. ISU fell 70-66 at Drake, while Missouri State suffered a 76-56 defeat at Southern Illinois.
- ▶ A victory tonight would give Illinois State head coach Porter Moser the 100th victory of his head coaching career.
- ▶ Senior Greg Dilligard needs only two more blocked shots to become Illinois State's all-time career leader in the category. He enters tonight's game with 142 career blocks.
- ▶ Tonight's game is the first of three straight home games for the Redbirds. To date, ISU owns a 6-2 record at Redbird Arena this season. The Redbirds own an 11-4 record against Missouri State in the building.
- ▶ A loss tonight would give Missouri State its first back-to-back losses of the season.
- ▶ In the last three games for ISU, each contest has been decided by four points or less.

SERIES HISTORY

- ▶ Series Record – Illinois State leads the series 26-20
- ▶ First Meeting – Missouri State defeated the Redbirds 93-76 in Evansville, Ind., in the NCAA Division II semifinals.
- ▶ Last Meeting – The Bears handed ISU a 72-61 defeat at Redbird Arena on Feb. 22, 2006.
- ▶ Current Streak – Missouri State has won the last three meetings and seven of the last nine in the series.

THE COACHES

- ▶ Porter Moser (Creighton '90) is in his seventh season as a college coach and his fourth season at Illinois State. He owns a 99-93 (.516) career mark, including a 45-59 (.433) record with the Redbirds. Prior to guiding ISU, Moser served three seasons at Arkansas-Little Rock. Moser is assisted by Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson and Brian Barone.
- ▶ Barry Hinson (Oklahoma State '83) is 143-94 (.603) in his eighth year at Missouri State and 179-117 (.605) in his 10th year as a college head coach. Prior to coaching the Bears, Hinson coached six seasons at Oral Roberts. He is assisted by Ben Miller, Steve Woodberry and Kyan Brown.

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THE TALE OF THE TAPE

		MSU
W-L Record	9-8	13-4
Points Scored	66.1	78.4
Points Allowed	62.5	63.9
Scoring Margin	+3.6	+14.4
FG Percentage	42.9	49.7
Def. FG Percentage	43.6	42.0
Average FG Attempts/Game	55.8	54.9
3-pt. Percentage	33.8	42.3
Def. 3-pt. Percentage	34.9	31.0
Avg. 3FG Attempts/Game	23.5	18.6
Percentage of shots from three	42.1	34.0
FT Percentage	64.1	74.0
Average FT Attempts/Game	16.1	21.5
Offensive Rebounds	11.8	10.9
Total Rebounds	33.1	34.6
Rebounding Margin	-0.5	+4.5
Assists	15.1	18.5
Turnover Average	15.8	14.0
Turnover Margin	+3.2	+2.4
Steal Average	8.0	8.2
Block Average	3.2	3.4
Fouls	18.1	17.4

WEEKLY MEDIA CONFERENCE

The weekly media conference starts at 1 p.m. and is located in the Redbird Arena media room, which is just off the Southwest loading dock.

- ▶ Wednesday, January 17
- ▶ Tuesday, January 23
- ▶ Wednesday, January 31
- ▶ Thursday, February 8
- ▶ Thursday, February 15
- ▶ Wednesday, February 21
- ▶ Monday, February 26

VALLEY TELECONFERENCE

Teleconferences with The Valley head coaches will be conducted each Tuesday, beginning on Dec. 12 and continuing through Feb. 27. The conferences begin at 10 a.m., CT. To participate in the conference calls, call 913.981.5509.

- ▶ 10:05 Jim Les, Bradley
- ▶ 10:10 Dana Altman, Creighton
- ▶ 10:15 Tom Davis, Drake
- ▶ 10:20 Steve Merfeld, Evansville
- ▶ 10:25 Porter Moser, Illinois State
- ▶ 10:30 Royce Waltman, Indiana State
- ▶ 10:35 Barry Hinson, Missouri State
- ▶ 10:40 Ben Jacobson, Northern Iowa
- ▶ 10:45 Chris Lowery, Southern Illinois
- ▶ 10:50 Mark Turgeon, Wichita State

ABOUT THE MISSOURI STATE BEARS

- ▶ Missouri State is located in Springfield, Mo., and has an enrollment of 20,962. The Bears are members of the Missouri Valley Conference.
- ▶ The Bears return seven lettermen, including four starters, from a team which finished with a 22-9 overall record and 12-6 in the Valley, which tied for second in the league.
- ▶ Senior Blake Ahearn has led the nation in free throw percentage the last three seasons and has only missed 20 free throws in his entire career. Heading into tonight, Ahearn is shooting 95.1 percent from the charity stripe (390-for-410).
- ▶ Ahearn, who ranks No. 5 in the conference, also leads the three Bears averaging double-figure points on the season. He is posting 16.2 points per game and is joined by Deven Mitchell (10.8 ppg.) and Tyler Chaney (10.7 ppg.).
- ▶ The Bears lead the conference in scoring (78.4 ppg.), scoring margin (+14.4), field goal percentage (49.7) and assists (18.5).

MISSOURI STATE NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown
0	Nathan Bilyeu	F	6-6	215	Sr.	Ozark, Mo.
1	Justin Fuehrmeyer	G	6-0	165	Fr.	St. Charles, Mo.
2	Dale Lamberth	F	6-5	215	Jr.	Oklahoma City, Okla.
3	Tyler Chaney	G	6-5	205	Sr.	Neosha, Mo.
5	Deven Mitchell	F	6-5	215	Jr.	Springfield, Mo.
10	Spencer Laurie	G	6-1	180	Jr.	Springfield, Mo.
11	Dex Manswell	F	6-7	215	Jr.	Roxborough, Tobago
12	Shane Laurie	G	6-2	180	So.	Springfield, Mo.
15	Blake Ahearn	G	6-2	190	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo.
25	Kyle Rausch	F	6-8	213	So.	Blue Springs, Mo.
42	Drew Richards	C	6-9	250	Jr.	Rogersville, Mo.

Head Coach: Barry Hinson

Assistant Coach: Ben Miller, Steve Woodberry, Kyan Brown

2006-07 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Score/Time
13-4 Overall, 4-2 Valley		
N11	TOLEDO	W, 79-66
N19	DELAWARE STATE	W, 77-54
N21	LINCOLN	W, 88-56
N24	vs. Wisconsin*	W, 66-64
N25	vs. Oklahoma State*	L, 73-70 (ot)
N30	ALABAMA STATE%	W, 89-49
D2	SANTA CLARA*	W, 78-51
D6	UW-MILWAUKEE	W, 79-60
D9	at UNC Wilmington	W, 78-62
D16	INDIANA STATE*	W, 80-60
D18	at Saint Louis	L, 51-50
D22	at South Florida	W, 81-69
D30	at Creighton*	L, 77-74
J2	at Bradley*	W, 86-78
J7	WICHITA STATE*	W, 95-87
J9	EVANSVILLE*	W, 106-54
J13	at Southern Illinois*	L, 76-56
J15	at Illinois State*	TONIGHT
J18	NORTHERN IOWA*	7:05 p.m.
J21	at Evansville*	3:35 p.m.
J24	CREIGHTON*	7:05 p.m.
J27	BRADLEY*	7:05 p.m.
J31	at Drake*	7:05 p.m.
F3	at Indiana State*	3:05 p.m.
F6	ILLINOIS STATE*	8:05 p.m.
F10	at Northern Iowa*	7:05 p.m.
F13	SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	7:05 p.m.
F17	ESPN BRACKETBUSTERS	TBA
F20	at Wichita State*	8:05 p.m.
F24	DRAKE*	7:35 p.m.
M1-4	at State Farm Missouri Valley Conference Tournament	TBA

^ - South Padre Island Invitational

% - Missouri State Price Cutter Classic

* - Missouri Valley Conference game

HOME GAMES IN CAPS. All times CENTRAL.

BOO'S BACK

Heading into Saturday's game against Drake, Illinois State's Boo Richardson hadn't received a warm welcome from the Valley. Through the first five games, Richardson had scored 14 combined points en route to averaging 2.8 points per league game and shooting 4-for-43 (.093) from the field, including 1-for-18 (.056) on threes. That all changed against the Bulldogs, as Richardson poured in a career-best 24 points on 8-of-13 shooting and a 6-for-9 effort on treys.

DYERMAKER

Since entering the starting lineup six games ago, junior Levi Dyer has been making the most of his opportunities. During the six-game span, Dyer has posted double-figure scoring in each outing, including a career-best 20 points against Northern Iowa. He is also averaging 13 points and 6.3 rebounds per game.

LETHAL WEAPON 3

After Boo Richardson fired in six three-pointers at Drake on Saturday, it gave the Redbirds three separate players who have made six or more three-pointers in a single game this season. Osiris Eldridge dumped in eight at Creighton, while Dom Johnson poured in seven against Florida State earlier in the season. In addition, Roberto Fortes did it twice last season with seven treys at Miami (Ohio) and six at Redbird Arena against Drake.

THE CENTURY CLUB

Head coach Porter Moser enters tonight's contest against Missouri State sitting on 99 career coaching wins for the second straight game. A Redbird victory tonight would give Moser 100 victories in his career against 93 losses. The seventh-year head coach has collected 45 wins at Illinois State and 54 at Arkansas-Little Rock.

COOLER IN THE VALLEY

Through five conference games, the shooting has definitely been cooler for the Redbirds in league play. After firing field goals through the net at a 45.5 percent clip during the non-conference season, the 'Birds are being held to a league-low 38.3 percent in league games.

DILLY FOR THE BLOCK

With two more blocked shots, senior Greg Dilligard will become Illinois State's career leader in blocked shots. He enters tonight's game with 142 career swats and is only the fifth player in Redbird history to post 100 or more blocked shots in a career. He currently has 18 blocks on the season.



LAST TIME THEY MET

Missouri State 72, ILLINOIS STATE 61
February 22, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Missouri St.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Bilyeu, f	33	4-10	5-6	2-5	3	0	13
Richards, f	22	3-3	1-1	2-4	0	4	7
Laurie, g	18	1-3	0-0	1-3	5	0	2
Ahearn, g	34	5-10	4-4	0-5	1	1	18
Thompson, g	21	2-5	0-0	0-1	1	3	4
Lamberth	20	4-7	1-2	2-5	1	3	12
Chaney	28	3-8	0-1	0-2	2	1	6
Easley	24	5-8	0-0	0-4	2	2	10
Totals	200	27-54	11-14	7-30	15	14	72

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .786

3-Pt.: 7-12, .583 (Ahearn 4-6, Thompson 0-1, Lamberth 3-3, Chaney 0-1, Easley 0-1)

Blocks: 3 (Richards 2, Easley 1)

Turnovers: 12 (Bilyeu 2, Laurie 1, Ahearn 4, Thompson 2, Chaney 2, Easley 1)

Steals: 9 (Bilyeu 2, Laurie 2, Thompson 1, Chaney 1, Easley 3)

ILLINOIS ST.	Min.	FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	34	4-6	3-7	4-9	2	2	11
Dyer, c	20	2-8	2-3	0-2	0	1	8
Onyeuku, g	16	2-5	0-0	1-2	2	5	4
Plank, g	30	3-10	2-4	2-5	1	1	9
D. Ford, g	22	1-3	0-0	0-3	1	3	3
Fortes	30	5-11	2-2	2-4	0	1	14
K. Ford	31	2-5	2-2	0-2	5	2	6
Wallace	1	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	3
Vandello	12	1-3	0-0	2-3	0	0	3
Odiakosa	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Carlwell	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	21-54	11-18	14-36	11	15	61

Team Pct.: FG – .389; FT – .611

3-Pt.: 8-27, .296 (Dyer 2-6, Onyeuku 0-2, Plank 1-4, D. Ford 1-1, Fortes 2-7, K. Ford 0-3, Wallace 1-3, Vandello 1-1)

Blocks: 4 (Dilligard 3, Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Dilligard 1, Dyer 2, Onyeuku 4, Plank 2, D. Ford 5, Fortes 3, K. Ford 1)

Steals: 6 (Dyer 1, Plank 2, K. Ford 3)

Officials: Randy McCall, John Higgins, Kipp Kissinger

Attendance: 4,655

Halftime Score: Missouri State 37, ILLINOIS STATE 29

2006-07 VALLEY PRESEASON POLL

1. Creighton (29)	386
2. Southern Illinois (9)	354
3. Wichita State (2)	325
4. Missouri State	289
5. Northern Iowa	223
6. Evansville	163
7. Drake	150
8. Bradley	136
9. Illinois State	125
10. Indiana State	48

FRESHMAN PHENOM

Not only did freshman Osiris Eldridge tie the school record at Creighton for made three pointers with eight, but he also poured in a career-high 28 points in the process. His 28 tallies marked the third highest single-game point total by a Redbird freshman in school history. By doing so, he joined a pretty elite group of ISU scorers – Bubbles Hawkins (30 points at Jacksonville, 2-16-73), Roger Powell (30 points vs. Morehead State, 1-8-73), Billy Lewis (28 points at West Virginia, 3-1-75) and Tarise Bryson (28 points vs. Southern Mississippi, 11-28-98 and vs. Wisconsin, 12-5-98).

CHAIRMAN OF THE OFFENSIVE BOARDS

Offensive rebounds have only been an official stat for a little more than 15 years, but during that time no one at Illinois State has been better at hitting the offensive glass than Greg Dilligard. During his career, Dilligard has registered 225 offensive caroms and is only the fourth player at ISU to collect 200 or more offensive boards. Dilligard is joined by Rico Hill (211), Dan Muller (205) and LeRoy Watkins (205).

DYER FOR TWO?

Junior center Levi Dyer has been working hard on his post play and it shows. Entering this season, Dyer had made 14 two-point baskets in his Redbird career. Already this season, Dyer has made 29 baskets inside the arc. He has also continued to shoot from three and ranks fourth on the team with 19 made three-pointers.

MINUTES ARE UPHILL

Freshman Bobby Hill logged 26 combined minutes over the first 14 games of the season. However in the last three contests, Hill has proven to be a defensive spark and doubled his playing time with a total of 34 minutes. Hill has been instrumental in holding opponents to 39.7 percent shooting in the last two games, including 28.8 percent on threes.

THE MINUTEMEN

Both Boo Richardson and Dom Johnson enter tonight's game averaging right around 34 minutes per game and rank second and fourth, respectively, among the conference leaders in minutes played. Only Indiana State's Gabe Moore has played more minutes per game than this Redbird duo. Richardson has totaled 582 minutes on the year, while Johnson has played 577.

KEPT OFFLINE

The Redbirds have the fewest free throw attempts in the Valley this season. ISU has only attempted 273 free throws on the year and is averaging 16.1 charity tosses per game.

217 GAMES WITH A TREY

ISU enters tonight's game against Missouri State with at least one made three in 217 straight games. The last time ISU didn't sink a trey was an 82-43 loss at Creighton on Dec. 12, 1999.

DYER JOINS DOUBLE-DOUBLE CLUB

With a career-high 13 rebounds and 14 points at Drake on Saturday, junior Levi Dyer netted his first career double-double. Dyer's performance marked the seventh double-double by the Redbirds this season. Greg Dilligard leads the way with three, Anthony Slack has recorded two and Boo Richardson posted one this season.

THREE-BALLIN'

Through 17 games, 42.1 percent of ISU's field goal attempts have come from beyond the 3-point arc. The 'Birds are averaging 23.5 three-point tries per game. Against Texas-Arlington on Dec. 2, the Redbirds set a Redbird Arena record with 14 made treys, which was also the second most in ISU history. The Redbirds are on pace to shoot 729 threes on the season, which would top the school record of 615 set in 1995-96. ISU is also on pace to finish the season with 246 made treys, which would claim the school standard and top the current mark of 220 set during the 1997-98 season.

DISHING THE ROCK

Junior point guard Boo Richardson enters tonight's game averaging 5.7 assists per game this season, which is the highest average by a Redbird since Jamar Smiley dropped 6.4 assists per game during the 1997-98 season. Richardson has 97 assists on the season and is on pace to finish the regular season with 177, which would be No. 9 all-time.

THIRTY SOMETHING

Junior guard Dom Johnson became the first Redbird to score 30 or more points in a game since Trey Guidry tossed in 30 at Creighton on Jan. 22, 2005. Johnson torched Florida State for 32 points on 12-for-23 shooting. It was the most points by a Redbird since Tarise Bryson scored 38 in the 2001 National Invitational Tournament game at Purdue.

2006-07 VALLEY RANKINGS
Through January 13 (All Games)

TEAM		
Scoring Offense.....	9th.....	66.1
Scoring Defense.....	4th.....	62.5
Scoring Margin.....	8th.....	+3.6
Free Throw Pct.....	10th.....	64.1
Field Goal Pct.....	9th.....	42.9
FG Pct. Defense.....	8th.....	43.6
3-Point FG Pct.....	8th.....	33.8
3-Point FG Pct. Def.....	6th.....	34.9
Rebounding Offense.....	7th.....	33.1
Rebounding Defense.....	7th.....	33.6
Rebounding Margin.....	8th.....	-0.5
Blocked Shots.....	13rd.....	3.24
Assists.....	5th.....	15.12
Steals.....	4th.....	8.00
Turnover Margin.....	2nd.....	+3.24
Assist/Turnover Ratio.....	9th.....	0.96
Offensive Rebounds.....	2nd.....	11.76
Defensive Rebounds.....	8th.....	21.29
3-Point Field Goals Made.....	2nd.....	7.94
REBOUNDING		
Anthony Slack.....	6th.....	6.5
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE		
Greg Dilligard.....	4th.....	59.8
Anthony Slack.....	5th.....	59.6
ASSISTS		
Boo Richardson.....	2nd.....	5.71
STEALS		
Anthony Slack.....	17th.....	1.47
3-POINT FIELD GOAL MADE		
Dom Johnson.....	5th.....	2.47
BLOCKED SHOTS		
Anthony Slack.....	8th.....	1.12
Greg Dilligard.....	9th.....	1.06
OFFENSIVE REBOUNDS		
Greg Dilligard.....	12nd.....	2.71
Anthony Slack.....	7th.....	2.18
DEFENSIVE REBOUNDS		
Anthony Slack.....	6th.....	4.35
MINUTES PLAYED		
Boo Richardson.....	2nd.....	34.24
Dom Johnson.....	4th.....	33.94

TAKING THE 'NORM' OUT OF NORMAL

After finishing the 2005-06 season with a 9-19 record, the 'Birds were in the midst of an aberration. The campaign marked only the sixth losing season in ISU's 35 years of being a Division I program.

GONE IN 60 POINTS

The 60-point plateau continues to be a viable measuring stick for the Redbirds' success. Under head coach Porter Moser, the Redbirds own a 39-17 (.696) record when they score 60 points or more. When ISU scores less than 60, the Redbirds' record falls to 6-41 (.128).

MATCHBOX 20

If the Illinois State box scores from the 2005-06 season were compared to the box scores from this season – one thing in particular jumps out. In 28 games last season, the Redbirds had a 20-point scorer three times. Greg Dilligard did it once and Roberto Fortes reached 20 points twice. This season, the Redbirds have had players score 20 or more points in a game eight times. Boo Richardson has scored 20-plus three times, Anthony Slack twice, while Dilligard, Dom Johnson, Osiris Eldridge and Levi Dyer have all accomplished it once.

THAT 70's SHOW

Under Porter Moser, ISU has limited its foes to 70 points or fewer in 72 of its 104 games (69.2 percent). There is also some significance when the 'Birds reach 70 points. When ISU scores 70 or more, the 'Birds are 25-5 (.833) under Moser.

POINT-N-SHOOT

It's not just the points either; shooting percentage is also a key factor for ISU in terms of wins and losses. When ISU shoots better than its opponent, the 'Birds are 40-12 (.769) over the last four seasons. When the Redbirds shoot worse, ISU is 5-46 (.098).

SLACK ATTACK

Junior Anthony Slack is attacking the glass for the Redbirds. In his first 17 games, Slack is averaging 6.5 rebounds per game which is the most by a 'Bird since Baboucarr Bojang pulled down 7.6 boards per game during the 2001-02 season.

INSTANT IMPACT

Through 17 games, the six Redbird newcomers have made immediate impacts. The newest Redbirds have accounted for 62.3 percent of ISU's scoring, 46.6 percent of the rebounding and 69.3 percent of the assists this season.

RE-WRITING REDBIRD RECORDS

The Illinois State defense has taken the red ink to the "Redbird Arena Records" page in the 2006-07 media guide. So far this season, the Redbirds have held Cal State Northridge to a Redbird Arena low 25.9 percent shooting. The Matadors also tied the facility low with 14 made field goals. The Redbirds also limited Miami (Ohio) to a Redbird Arena record 13 second-half points, while the RedHawks 40 total points were the second lowest in the facility's history.

JUCO ALL-AMERICA U.

Dominatrix Johnson and Keith "Boo" Richardson became the second and third junior college all-Americans respectively, to sign with ISU since Porter Moser's arrival. Richardson claimed first-team honors, while Johnson was a third team selection. The duo joins Lorenzo Gordon, who went on to earn Valley Newcomer of the Year honors in 2005.

SEAD ADDED

Sead Odzic (SEE-add ODD-zik) transferred to Illinois State from Southern California following the fall semester. Odzic, a 6-foot-3, 192-pound guard, is a native of Skokie, Ill., and played prep basketball at Niles West. He will have to serve a year of residency and will not be eligible to compete in a game for the Redbirds until the completion of the Fall 2007 semester. At USC last season, Odzic averaged 3.2 points and 1.2 rebounds per game. Prior to USC, Odzic averaged 20 points, five rebounds and four assists during his senior season at Niles West.

RUBIN SIGNS

During the early signing period, head coach Porter Moser added his first to the 2007-08 recruiting class. Point guard Alex Rubin from Armstrong High School in Plymouth, Minn., signed his national letter of intent to continue his education and basketball career at ISU. At 6-foot-1, 185-pounds, Rubin led the Falcons to a 19-10 overall record, before falling in the sectional finals. A two-time all-Classic Lake Conference selection, Rubin averaged 14.5 points and 4.8 assists per game as a junior. In 2006, he was named to the all-metro defensive second team and was an honorable mention all-state selection. This season, Rubin is averaging 19.5 points per contest, while Armstrong owns an 9-3 record.



CHART CLIMBERS

Career Blocked Shots Leaders

1. LeRoy Watkins - 1995-99143
2. Greg Dilligard - 2003-06142

Career Blocked Shots Average

1. Greg Dilligard (104 games) - 2003-061.37
2. Jeff Wilkins (81 games) - 1974-771.27
3. Joe Galvin (107 games) - 1976-801.23
4. Mike VandeGarde (112 games) - 1990-941.20
5. LeRoy Watkins (120 games) - 1995-991.19

Career Games Started

1. Dan Muller - 1994-98128
3. Gregg Alexander - 2001-05112
4. Hank Cornley - 1980-84110
5. Richard Thomas - 1989-93109
6. LeRoy Watkins - 1995-99107
7. Greg Dilligard - 2003-0695

CAREER GAMES/STARTS

No.	Player	GP	GS
50	Greg Dilligard	104	95
10	Dom Johnson	17	17
5	Boo Richardson	17	17
1	Roberto Fortes	39	16
32	Levi Dyer	53	14
4	Anthony Slack	17	13
31	Michael Vandello	43	9
42	Dinma Odiakosa	18	9
45	Brandon Holtz	37	7
0	Osiris Eldridge	17	4
51	Ronnie Carlwell	75	2
24	Bobby Hill	12	0
22	Julius Moor	8	0

2006-07 ILLINOIS STATE RESULTS

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	9-8	6-2	2-5	1-1
CONFERENCE	1-5	1-2	0-3	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	8-3	5-0	2-2	1-1

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
11-12-06	5:00 pm	vs SMU	55-57 L	6807	(15)Johnson,Dominitrix	(12)Slack,Anthony
11-13-06	7:30 pm	at Florida State	59-73 L	6897	(32)Johnson,Dominitrix	(5)Slack,Anthony
11-14-06	5:00 pm	vs McNeese State	W 67-50	6780	(23)Richardson,Boo	(8)Slack,Anthony
11-20-06	7:05 pm	CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE	W 66-44	4699	(16)Johnson,Dominitrix	(7)Slack,Anthony
11-25-06	7:30 pm	at St. John's	W 78-65	4038	(18)Richardson,Boo	(11)Dilligard,Greg
11-29-06	7:05 pm	SACRAMENTO STATE	W 86-69	5417	(21)Slack,Anthony	(10)Slack,Anthony
12-02-06	7:05 pm	TEXAS ARLINGTON	W 86-61	5941	(17)Dyer,Levi	(4)Dyer,Levi
12-05-06	7:05 pm	MIAMI (OHIO)	W 64-40	5735	(15)Slack,Anthony	(10)Slack,Anthony
12-09-06	2:05 p.m.	* at Evansville	41-69 L	5806	(11)Johnson,Dominitrix	(9)Dilligard,Greg
12-16-06	2 p.m.	at Western Michigan	57-65 L	3091	(15)Fortes,Roberto	(7)Dilligard,Greg
12-19-06	7:05 p.m.	LEWIS	W 85-66	3691	(22)Slack,Anthony	(5)Vandello,Mike
12-23-06	2:00 PM	at UIC Flames	W 77-69	4827	(19)ELDRIDGE, Osiris	(8)SLACK, Anthony
12-29-06	6:05 p.m.	* SOUTHERN ILLINOIS	49-68 L	6429	(11)Johnson,Dominitrix	(10)Slack,Anthony
01-01-07	3:05 pm	* at Creighton	71-79 L	14869	(28)Eldridge,Osiris	(3)Slack,Anthony
01-06-07	7:07 p.m.	* INDIANA STATE	50-54 L	4543	(11)Dyer,Levi	(3)Eldridge,Osiris
01-09-07	7:05 p.m.	* NORTHERN IOWA	WOT 67-64	3585	(20)Dyer,Levi	(10)Dilligard,Greg
1/13/07	3:05 p.m.	* at Drake	66-70 L	4735	(24)Richardson,Boo	(7)Dilligard,Greg
						(13)Dyer,Levi

* = Conference game

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME	8	40040	5005
AWAY	7	44263	6323
NEUTRAL	2	13587	6794
TOTAL	17	97890	5758

2006-07 VALLEY STANDINGS

	VALLEY			OVERALL		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
1. Creighton	5	1	.833	11	5	.688
2. Missouri State	4	2	.667	13	4	.765
Northern Iowa	4	2	.667	13	4	.765
Southern Illinois	4	2	.667	13	4	.765
Indiana State	4	2	.667	11	5	.688
6. Bradley	4	3	.571	13	6	.684
7. Wichita State	2	4	.333	11	6	.647
8. Evansville	2	5	.286	9	9	.500
9. Drake	1	5	.167	10	7	.588
Illinois State	1	5	.167	9	8	.529

*Through January 13

PRONOUNCIATIONS

Greg Dilligard	DILL-a-guard
Levi Dyer	LEE-vye
Osiris Eldridge	oh-SY-ris
Roberto Fortes	FORE-tez
Dominitrix Johnson	dom-me-NEE-trix
Porter Moser	MO-zur
Dinma Odiakosa	DEEN-muh oh-DEE-oh-kosa
Mike Vandello	van-DUH-low

2006-07 ILLINOIS STATE NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.-Ex.	Hometown (previous schools)
0	Osiris Eldridge	G	6-3	190	Fr.-HS	Chicago, Ill. (Phillips Academy)
1	Roberto Fortes	G	6-4	195	Sr.-1L	Fort Wayne, Ind. (North Side/Daytona Beach CC)
4	Anthony Slack	F	6-7	210	Jr.-TR	New Orleans, La. (John F. Kennedy/Coffeyville CC)
5	Keith "Boo" Richardson	G	5-8	160	Jr.-TR	Kansas City, Kan. (Wyandotte/Coffeyville CC)
10	Dominitrix Johnson	G	6-0	185	Jr.-TR	Bell City, Mo. (Bell City/Three Rivers CC)
22	Julius Moor	G	6-3	185	Jr.-TR	Kieler, Wis. (Cuba City/Kirkwood CC)
24	Bobby Hill	F	6-6	210	Fr.-HS	St. Louis, Mo. (Vashon)
31	Mike Vandello	F	6-7	220	So.-1L	Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)
32	Levi Dyer	C	6-11	220	Jr.-2L	Eaton, Colo. (Eaton)
42	Dinma Odiakosa	F	6-8	240	So.-1L	Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's Model School)
45	Brandon Holtz	G	6-4	185	So.-1L	Bloomington, Ill. (Bloomington)
50	Greg Dilligard	F	6-8	230	Sr.-3L	Labelle, Mo. (Highland)
51	Ronnie Carlwell	C	6-11	258	Sr.-2L	Maywood, Ill. (Proviso East)

Head Coach: Porter Moser
 Assistant Coaches: Chris Jans, Daniyal Robinson, Brian Barone
 Director of Basketball Operations: John Marczak

2006-07 ILLINOIS STATE STATISTICS

##	Player	GP	GS	Min	Avg	TOTAL			3-PTS			REBOUNDS				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg			
						FG	FGA	Pct	3FG	FGA	Pct	FT	FTA	Pct	Off									Def	Tot	Avg
05	Richardson,Boo	17	17	582	34.2	57	153	.373	23	70	.329	46	64	.719	9	39	48	2.8	41	2	97	67	0	19	183	10.8
	Conference-Only...	6	6	212	35.3	12	56	.214	7	27	.259	7	9	.778	3	12	15	2.5	17	2	27	20	0	9	38	6.3
10	Johnson,Dominatrix	17	17	577	33.9	62	166	.373	42	120	.350	16	19	.842	6	27	33	1.9	26	0	51	33	5	22	182	10.7
	Conference-Only...	6	6	210	35.0	18	53	.340	10	37	.270	3	5	.600	2	8	10	1.7	12	0	21	12	1	3	49	8.2
04	Slack,Anthony	17	13	403	23.7	68	114	.596	2	9	.222	35	58	.603	37	74	111	6.5	48	3	12	33	19	25	173	10.2
	Conference-Only...	6	3	121	20.2	19	34	.559	1	2	.500	8	15	.533	15	20	35	5.8	17	1	2	7	2	3	47	7.8
50	Dilligard,Greg	17	15	421	24.8	67	112	.598	0	0	.000	12	36	.333	46	53	99	5.8	58	0	29	28	18	10	146	8.6
	Conference-Only...	6	4	134	22.3	15	31	.484	0	0	.000	2	9	.222	12	21	33	5.5	21	0	4	11	4	2	32	5.3
00	Eldridge,Osiris	17	4	354	20.8	50	131	.382	26	68	.382	17	24	.708	23	38	61	3.6	20	0	16	24	1	20	143	8.4
	Conference-Only...	6	4	172	28.7	28	68	.412	15	35	.429	7	9	.778	14	19	33	5.5	9	0	5	9	1	11	78	13.0
32	Dyer,Levi	17	6	294	17.3	48	105	.457	19	50	.380	18	26	.692	14	47	61	3.6	36	1	9	19	8	12	133	7.8
	Conference-Only...	6	5	151	25.2	25	52	.481	10	23	.435	10	17	.588	10	27	37	6.2	15	1	3	7	3	4	70	11.7
01	Fortes,Roberto	16	13	352	22.0	28	82	.341	15	53	.283	15	20	.750	7	27	34	2.1	30	0	28	26	0	12	86	5.4
	Conference-Only...	5	2	60	12.0	1	9	.111	1	7	.143	1	2	.500	2	3	5	1.0	9	0	4	3	0	0	4	0.8
45	Holtz,Brandon	11	0	104	9.5	11	33	.333	8	27	.296	1	3	.333	1	7	8	0.7	8	0	3	7	1	6	31	2.8
	Conference-Only...	5	0	52	10.4	4	16	.250	3	12	.250	0	0	.000	0	3	3	0.6	4	0	1	6	1	5	11	2.2
31	Vandello,Mike	15	0	177	11.8	8	26	.308	0	2	.000	7	9	.778	16	18	34	2.3	24	0	8	18	0	6	23	1.5
	Conference-Only...	6	0	43	7.2	1	4	.250	0	1	.000	3	4	.750	3	3	6	1.0	7	0	1	5	0	1	5	0.8
24	Hill,Bobby	12	0	60	5.0	6	15	.400	0	0	.000	6	6	1.000	6	2	8	0.7	4	0	2	3	1	3	18	1.5
	Conference-Only...	6	0	41	6.8	4	7	.571	0	0	.000	2	2	1.000	1	1	2	0.3	2	0	1	2	1	3	10	1.7
51	Carlwell,Ronnie	16	0	79	4.9	2	10	.200	0	0	.000	1	6	.167	3	13	16	1.0	11	0	2	4	2	0	5	0.3
	Conference-Only...	5	0	27	5.4	0	2	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	2	2	4	0.8	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0.0
22	Moor,Julius	8	0	22	2.8	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	1	2	.500	0	1	1	0.1	1	0	0	4	0	1	1	0.1
	Conference-Only...	1	0	2	2.0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TM	TEAM.....														32	16	48	2.8			2					
	Conference-Only...														10	8	18	3.0			2					
	<i>Total.....</i>	<i>17</i>				<i>407</i>	<i>948</i>	<i>.429</i>	<i>135</i>	<i>399</i>	<i>.338</i>	<i>175</i>	<i>273</i>	<i>.641</i>	<i>200</i>	<i>362</i>	<i>562</i>	<i>33.1</i>	<i>307</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>257</i>	<i>268</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>136</i>	<i>1124</i>	<i>66.1</i>
	<i>Conference-Only...</i>	<i>6</i>				<i>127</i>	<i>332</i>	<i>.383</i>	<i>47</i>	<i>144</i>	<i>.326</i>	<i>43</i>	<i>72</i>	<i>.597</i>	<i>74</i>	<i>127</i>	<i>201</i>	<i>33.5</i>	<i>114</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>70</i>	<i>86</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>41</i>	<i>344</i>	<i>57.3</i>
	<i>Opponents.....</i>	<i>17</i>				<i>379</i>	<i>870</i>	<i>.436</i>	<i>89</i>	<i>255</i>	<i>.349</i>	<i>216</i>	<i>307</i>	<i>.704</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>400</i>	<i>571</i>	<i>33.6</i>	<i>298</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>214</i>	<i>323</i>	<i>55</i>	<i>123</i>	<i>1063</i>	<i>62.5</i>
	<i>Conference-Only...</i>	<i>6</i>				<i>139</i>	<i>295</i>	<i>.471</i>	<i>35</i>	<i>95</i>	<i>.368</i>	<i>91</i>	<i>129</i>	<i>.705</i>	<i>54</i>	<i>150</i>	<i>204</i>	<i>34.0</i>	<i>89</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>83</i>	<i>84</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>404</i>	<i>67.3</i>

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	OT	Total
Illinois State	517	599	8	1124
Opponents	482	576	5	1063

DEADBALL REBOUNDS:	OFF	DEF	TOTAL
Illinois State	32	6	38
Opponents	43	7	50



BENCH SCORING (ISU-OPP)

vs. SMU	11-8
at Florida State	2-19
vs. McNeese State	7-2
Cal State Northridge	15-24
at St. John's	13-27
Sacramento State	23-10
UT-Arlington	37-29
Miami (Ohio)	14-4
at Evansville*	15-23
at Western Michigan	13-24
Lewis	16-13
at Illinois-Chicago	22-30
Southern Illinois*	22-6
at Creighton*	5-15
Indiana State*	13-18
Northern Iowa*	14-21
at Drake*	18-15
Missouri State*	
Wichita State*	
Drake*	
at Bradley*	
at Southern Illinois*	
Evansville*	
Bradley*	
at Missouri State*	
at Wichita State*	
at Indiana State*	
BracketBusters	
Creighton*	
at Northern Iowa*	
Total	260-288

THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

INDIVIDUAL

- A player scored 40 points ...
ILLINOIS ST.Tarise Bryson (41) at C. Michigan, 12-3-00
OpponentAnthony Roberts (48), Oral Roberts, 1-6-75
- A player scored 30 points ...
ILLINOIS ST.Dom Johnson (32) at Florida State, 11-13-06
OpponentJermaine Boyette (31), Weber State, 11-16-01
- A player grabbed 20 rebounds ...
ILLINOIS ST.Ron deVries (24) vs. Pacific, 1-19-74
OpponentAnthony Bonner (21), Saint Louis, 2-6-90
- A player grabbed 15 rebounds ...
ILLINOIS ST.Baboucar Bojang (15) vs. UNI, 1-30-02
OpponentRandal Falke (17), Southern Illinois, 12-29-06
- A player had a double-double ...
ILLINOIS ST.Levi Dyer (14p, 13r) at Drake, 1-13-07
OpponentRandal Falke (10p, 17r), Southern Illinois, 12-29-06
- A player made five 3-pointers ...
ILLINOIS ST.Boo Richardson (6-9) at Drake, 1-13-07
OpponentTony Young (5-10), Southern Illinois, 1-28-06
- A player made 10 free throws ...
ILLINOIS ST.Lorenzo Gordon (10-14) vs. St. John's, 12-4-04
OpponentBrandon Dagens (11-11), Lewis, 12-19-06
- A player had 15 free throw attempts ...
ILLINOIS ST.Tarise Bryson (12-15) at Purdue, 3-14-01
OpponentIke Ofoegbu (12-17), SMU, 11-12-06
- A player had 10 assists ...
ILLINOIS ST.Boo Richardson (11) vs. Lewis, 12-19-06
OpponentMartell Bailey (12), Illinois-Chicago, 12-13-03
- A player had five steals ...
ILLINOIS ST.Anthony Slack (5) vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06
OpponentHaron Hargrave (8), Sacramento State, 11-29-06
- A player blocked five shots ...
ILLINOIS ST.Greg Dilligard (5) at Wichita State, 2-25-06
OpponentPatrick O'Bryant (5), Bradley, 2-1-06

TEAM

- A team scored 100 points ...
ILLINOIS ST.vs. Southern Illinois (105), 1-10-98
OpponentOklahoma (112), 12-28-90
- A team made 35 field goals ...
ILLINOIS ST.vs. Bellarmine (35-71), 12-2-03
OpponentUT-San Antonio (35-65), 12-17-00
- A team had 75 field goal attempts ...
ILLINOIS ST.vs. Lewis (31-78), 12-2-92
OpponentAkron (27-80), 11-20-98
- A team shot 50 percent from the field ...
ILLINOIS ST.vs. Lewis (.534, 31-58), 12-19-06
OpponentCreighton (.643, 27-42), 1-1-07
- A team made 10 3-point field goals ...
ILLINOIS ST.at Creighton (12-26), 1-1-07
OpponentIllinois-Chicago (11-22), 12-23-06
- A team had 25 3-point field goal attempts ...
ILLINOIS ST.at Creighton (12-26), 1-1-07
OpponentEvansville (6-25), 1-16-06
- A team shot 50 percent on 3-pointers ...
ILLINOIS ST.vs. UT-Arlington (.519, 14-27), 12-2-06
Opponentat Illinois-Chicago (.500, 11-22), 12-23-06
- A team made 30 free throws ...
ILLINOIS ST.vs. Florida A&M (38-48), 11-23-03
OpponentIndiana State (33-43), 12-22-05
- A team had 25 assists ...
ILLINOIS ST.vs. UT-Arlington (25), 12-2-06
OpponentEvansville (26), 2-11-04
- A team had 15 steals ...
ILLINOIS ST.vs. Bellarmine (16), 12-2-03
OpponentSacramento State (15), 11-29-06
- A team had 10 blocked shots ...
ILLINOIS ST.vs. Evansville (10), 1-17-79
OpponentNorthern Illinois (11), 11-26-03

ILLINOIS STATE'S 2006-07 RECORD WHEN

	2006-07	Under Moser		2006-07	Under Moser
Overall	9-8	45-59	ISU Scores 60 or More	7-2	37-17
Missouri Valley Conference	1-5	17-43	ISU Scores less than 60	0-6	6-41
Playing Nationally Ranked Teams	0-0	0-3	Opponent Scores 100 or More	0-0	0-0
Leading at the Half	7-0	35-9	Opponent Scores 90 or More	0-0	0-0
Trailing at the Half	1-8	9-45	Opponent Scores 80 or More	0-0	0-3
Tied at the Half	1-0	1-5	Opponent Scores 70 or More	0-3	4-23
Leading with 5:00 to Play	8-0	38-2	Opponent Scores 60 or More	6-3	24-42
Trailing with 5:00 to Play	0-7	5-55	Opponent Scores less than 60	3-2	21-13
Tied with 5:00 to Play	1-1	2-2	In Games Decided by 5 or less	1-3	11-14
In Overtime	1-0	4-2	In Games Decided by 6-10 Points	1-2	10-15
ISU out-rebounds opponent	6-3	28-16	In Games Decided by 11-20 Points	4-2	15-26
Opponents out-rebound ISU	2-5	14-38	In Games Decided by 21+ Points	3-1	9-4
ISU has 15 or fewer Turnovers	3-4	26-34	Day Games	1-4	14-16
ISU has fewer Turnovers than opponents	7-6	24-16	Night Games	8-4	31-43
ISU shoots 50 Percent or Better	3-0	16-9	Home Court	6-2	32-19
ISU shoots 40 Percent or Better	9-3	41-26	Away Games	2-5	8-36
Opponents shoot less than 40%	2-2	19-7	Neutral Games	1-1	4-4
Opponents shoot 40% or Better	5-6	24-52	When ISU Scores First	4-1	21-13
ISU shoots better than Opponent	8-2	40-12	When ISU Wins Tip	3-3	20-17
Opponent shoots better than ISU	1-6	5-46	In November	4-2	12-7
ISU has more FG Attempts	6-6	14-33	In December	4-3	15-10
Opponent has more FG Attempts	3-1	30-17	In January	1-3	10-20
ISU Shoots better than 35% on 3's	4-2	30-20	In February	0-0	6-19
ISU Attempts more 3's	7-8	23-41	In March	0-0	2-3
Opponents Attempt more 3's	2-0	20-11	On Sunday	0-1	3-5
ISU has more FT Attempts	6-0	34-8	On Monday	1-2	4-6
Opponent has more FT Attempts	2-8	8-49	On Tuesday	4-0	13-3
ISU Scores 100 or More	0-0	0-0	On Wednesday	1-0	4-13
ISU Scores 90 or More	0-0	0-0	On Thursday	0-0	2-5
ISU Scores 80 or More	3-0	10-1	On Friday	0-1	1-1
ISU Scores 70 or More	4-1	24-5	On Saturday	3-4	18-25

2006-07 ILLINOIS STATE TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

	HIGHS	LOWS
POINTS	86 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	41 at Evansville (12-9-06)
	86 vs. UT-Arlington (12-2-06)	
FIELD GOALS MADE	34 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	14 at Evansville (12-9-06)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	60 vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)	49 vs. Miami (12-5-06)
	60 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.607 (34-56) vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	.269 (14-52) at Evansville (12-9-06)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	14 vs. UT-Arlington (12-2-06)	4 vs. Indiana State (1-6-07)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	28 at Western Michigan (12-16-06)	15 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)
	28 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.519 (14-27) vs. UT-Arlington (12-2-06)	.167 (4-24) vs. Indiana State (1-6-07)
FREE THROWS MADE	22 at St. John's (11-25-06)	3 vs. Southern Illinois (12-29-06)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	33 at St. John's (11-25-06)	7 at Florida State (11-13-06)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.813 vs. Northern Iowa (1-9-07)	.333 (3-9) vs. Southern Illinois (12-29-06)
REBOUNDS	40 vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)	20 at Creighton (1-1-07)
	40 vs. Indiana State (1-6-07)	
ASSISTS	26 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	9 at Evansville (12-9-06)
STEALS	14 vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	3 at Western Michigan (12-16-06)
BLOCKED SHOTS	7 vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)	1 three times
TURNOVERS	26 at Florida State (11-13-06)	9 at Western Michigan (12-16-06)
FOULS	21 four times	12 vs. Miami (12-5-06)

2006-07 OPPONENT TEAM HIGHS & LOWS

	HIGHS	LOWS
POINTS	79 at Creighton (1-1-07)	40 vs. Miami (12-5-06)
FIELD GOALS MADE	29 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	14 vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	65 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	42 vs. Lewis (12-19-06)
		42 at Creighton (1-1-07)
FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE	.643 (27-42) at Creighton (1-1-07)	.259 (14-54) vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)
3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE	11 vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	1 vs. SMU (11-12-06)
	11 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	22 vs. UT-Arlington (12-2-06)	10 vs. SMU (11-12-06)
	22 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	10 vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)
3 PT FG PERCENTAGE	.667 (8-12) at Evansville (12-9-06)	.100 (1-10) vs. SMU (11-12-06)
FREE THROWS MADE	21 at Creighton (1-1-07)	2 vs. Miami (12-5-06)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	26 at Creighton (1-1-07)	8 vs. Miami (12-5-06)
		8 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)
FREE THROW PERCENTAGE	.875 (14-16) vs. UT-Arlington (12-2-06)	.250 (2-8) vs. Miami (12-5-06)
REBOUNDS	42 at Western Michigan (12-16-06)	27 vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)
ASSISTS	21 at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	7 vs. SMU (11-12-06)
STEALS	15 vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	3 at St. John's (11-25-06)
		3 at Western Michigan (12-16-06)
BLOCKED SHOTS	7 vs. Southern Illinois (12-29-06)	0 vs. Indiana State (1-6-07)
TURNOVERS	28 vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	11 at Evansville (12-9-06)
FOULS	25 vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	11 vs. Southern Illinois (12-29-06)

2006-07 ILLINOIS STATE & OPPONENT PLAYER SUPERLATIVES

	ILLINOIS STATE	OPPONENT
POINTS	32 Dom Johnson at Florida State (11-13-06)	25 Brandon Dagens, Lewis (12-19-06)
FIELD GOALS MADE	12 Dom Johnson at Florida State (11-13-06)	11 Anthony Tolliver, Creighton (1-1-07)
FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS	23 Dom Johnson at Florida State (11-13-06)	18 Loren Leat, Sacramento State (11-29-06)
FG PCT (min. 5 made)	.900 (9-10) Anthony Slack vs. Sacramento State (11-29-06)	1.000 (11-11) Anthony Tolliver, Creighton (1-1-07)
3 PT FG MADE	8 Osiris Eldridge at Creighton (1-1-07)	4 Brandon Dagens, Lewis (12-19-06)
		4 Robert Bush, Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)
3 PT FG ATTEMPTS	15 Dom Johnson at Florida State (11-13-06)	8 Loren Leath, Sacramento State (11-29-06)
3-PT FG PCT (min. 3 made)	.800 (4-5) Levi Dyer vs. Northern Iowa (1-9-07)	.667 (4-6) Robert Bush, Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)
FREE THROWS MADE	8 Boo Richardson at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	12 Ike Ofoegbu, SMU (11-12-06)
FREE THROW ATTEMPTS	11 Boo Richardson at Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)	12 Anthony Vereen, UT-Arlington (12-2-06)
FT PCT (min. 6 att.)	.857 (6-7) Boo Richardson vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)	17 Ike Ofoegbu, SMU (11-12-06)
	.857 (6-7) Anthony Slack vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	1.000 (11-11) Brandon Dagens, Lewis (12-19-06)
REBOUNDS	13 Levi Dyer at Drake (1-13-07)	18 Joe Reitz, Western Michigan (12-16-06)
ASSISTS	11 Boo Richardson vs. Lewis (12-19-06)	7 Spencer Stewart, Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)
STEALS	5 Anthony Slack vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)	8 Haron Hargrave, Sacramento State (11-29-06)
BLOCKED SHOTS	4 Anthony Slack vs. McNeese State (11-14-06)	4 Scott VanderMeer, Illinois-Chicago (12-23-06)
	4 Greg Dilligard vs. Cal State Northridge (11-20-06)	4 Randal Falke, Southern Illinois (12-29-06)

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

Opponent	Carlwell	Dilligard	Dyer	Eldridge	Fortes	Hill	Holtz
vs. SMU*	2-0-0	4-6-2	5-2-0	0-0-3	6-5-0	DNP	DNP
at Florida State*	0-0-0	8-2-0	0-0-1	2-3-1	5-2-2	DNP	DNP
vs. McNeese St.*	0-0-0	20-5-3	2-3-0	3-5-0	7-3-2	0-1-0	0-0-0
CS-Northridge	0-0-0	6-4-3	0-4-0	1-4-0	2-4-1	0-1-0	9-1-0
at St. John's	0-1-0	17-11-4	5-0-0	8-2-2	13-7-1	DNP	DNP
Sacramento St.	0-0-0	11-10-4	2-0-1	3-1-0	11-0-3	0-0-0	10-3-1
UT-Arlington	1-2-1	6-3-3	17-4-1	14-2-2	13-3-4	4-2-1	1-1-1
Miami (Ohio)	0-2-0	11-10-0	9-4-1	5-2-1	2-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Evansville*	0-0-0	6-9-2	2-2-0	9-7-0	3-2-2	0-0-0	0-2-1
at W. Michigan	2-1-0	9-7-3	7-2-0	4-2-1	15-4-1	DNP	DNP
Lewis	0-3-0	13-1-1	6-2-1	6-1-1	3-0-3	4-2-0	0-0-0
at Illinois-Chicago	0-3-0	9-7-2	10-3-1	19-6-0	5-1-5	DNP	DNP
Southern Illinois*	0-0-0	6-5-0	10-9-1	10-4-0	0-2-1	0-1-1	3-0-0
at Creighton*	0-2-0	5-2-0	13-3-1	28-3-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0
Indiana State*	DNP	9-10-1	11-5-0	9-8-1	0-0-0	4-0-0	DNP
Northern Iowa*	0-2-1	4-7-1	20-5-0	18-4-3	DNP	6-1-0	3-1-0
at Drake*	0-0-0	2-0-0	14-13-1	4-7-1	1-0-0	0-0-0	5-0-0

Opponent	Johnson	Moor	Odiakosa	Richardson	Slack	Vandello
vs. SMU*	15-1-1	0-0-0	DNP	10-2-4	9-12-0	4-2-0
at Florida State*	32-1-4	DNP	DNP	4-2-4	8-5-2	0-3-0
vs. McNeese St.*	3-3-2	0-1-0	DNP	23-3-7	7-8-0	2-4-1
CS-Northridge	16-5-1	1-0-0	DNP	15-2-8	12-7-1	4-3-0
at St. John's	7-0-2	DNP	DNP	18-3-4	10-7-1	0-1-2
Sacramento St.	8-2-4	0-0-0	DNP	12-3-8	21-10-1	8-8-4
UT-Arlington	13-3-3	0-0-0	DNP	7-1-7	10-3-2	0-0-0
Miami (Ohio)	9-2-3	0-0-0	DNP	13-4-4	15-10-2	DNP
at Evansville*	11-1-1	0-0-0	DNP	2-1-2	4-6-0	4-3-1
at W. Michigan	5-2-3	DNP	DNP	6-2-6	9-2-0	0-2-0
Lewis	11-2-5	0-0-0	DNP	20-4-11	22-4-1	0-5-0
at Illinois-Chicago	14-2-2	DNP	DNP	17-7-7	3-8-0	DNP
Southern Illinois*	11-2-3	DNP	DNP	0-0-3	9-10-1	0-0-0
at Creighton*	6-0-6	DNP	DNP	7-3-9	12-3-0	0-0-0
Indiana State*	10-2-2	DNP	DNP	1-5-6	6-8-0	0-0-0
Northern Iowa*	7-3-4	DNP	DNP	4-4-4	4-1-0	1-3-0
at Drake*	4-2-5	DNP	DNP	24-2-3	12-7-1	0-0-0

* Colonial Classic (Tallahassee, Fla.)
* Missouri Valley Conference game

SUPERLATIVES

- STARTING LINEUPS – F, F, G, G, G (4):**
 • Slack, Dilligard, Fortes, Richardson, Johnson (7-4)
 W – McNeese State, Cal State Northridge, at St. John's, Sacramento State, UT-Arlington, Miami (Ohio), Lewis
 L – SMU, at Florida State, at Evansville, at Western Michigan
- Dilligard, Dyer, Fortes, Richardson, Johnson (1-1)
 W – at Illinois-Chicago
 L – Southern Illinois
- Slack, Dyer, Eldridge, Richardson, Johnson (0-2)
 L – at Creighton, Indiana State
- Dilligard, Dyer, Eldridge, Richardson, Johnson (1-1)
 W – Northern Iowa
 L – at Drake
- FIRST POINTS:**
 Slack 5, Richardson 4, Johnson 2, Fortes 2, Dilligard 2, Eldridge 2
- DOUBLE-DIGIT SCORERS (46):**
 Johnson 9, Richardson 9, Slack 8, Dyer 7, Dilligard 5, Eldridge 5, Fortes 4, Holtz 1
- DOUBLE-DIGIT REBOUNDING (9):**
 Slack 4, Dilligard 4, Dyer 1
- LEADING SCORER:**
 Johnson 5, Slack 3, Dyer 3, Richardson 3, Eldridge 2, Fortes 1
- LEADING REBOUNDER:**
 Slack 9, Dilligard 7, Dyer 3, Vandello 1, Eldridge 1, Richardson 1
- DOUBLE-DOUBLES (7):**
 Dilligard 3, Slack 2, Richardson 1, Dyer 1
- DUNKS (19):**
 Slack 10, Dilligard 5, Carlwell 1, Hill 1, Eldridge 1, Johnson 1
- FIRST SUBSTITUTION:**
 Dyer 5, Vandello 4, Eldridge 4, Holtz 3, Slack 3, Dilligard 1, Hill 1
- CHARGES DRAWN (17):**
 Slack 5, Richardson 4, Dilligard 4, Fortes 3, Dyer 2, Johnson 1, Vandello 1
- MOST MINUTES:**
 39, Richardson at Western Michigan, 12-16-06
 39, Richardson at Drake, 1-13-07
 38, Richardson vs. SMU, 11-12-06
 38, Johnson at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06
 38, Johnson vs. Southern Illinois, 12-29-06
 38, Richardson at Creighton, 1-1-07
 38, Johnson vs. Indiana State, 1-6-07
 38, Richardson vs. Northern Iowa, 1-9-07
 37, Johnson at Florida State, 11-13-06
 37, Johnson at St. John's, 11-25-06
 37, Richardson at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06
 37, Johnson at Creighton, 1-1-07
 36, Richardson at McNeese State, 11-14-06
 35, Johnson vs. SMU, 11-12-06
 35, Johnson at McNeese State, 11-14-06
 35, Richardson vs. Miami (Ohio), 12-5-06
 35, Richardson at Evansville, 12-9-06
 35, Johnson at Western Michigan, 12-16-06
 35, Richardson vs. Indiana State, 1-6-07

VALLEY WEEKLY HONORS

- NEWCOMER OF THE WEEK:**
 Nov. 13 – Dom Johnson (15 pts., 5 3FGs, 1 game)
 Nov. 27 – Boo Richardson (16.5 ppg., 6 app., 2 games)
 Dec. 26 – Boo Richardson (18.5 ppg., 9 app., 2 games)

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME

	Final	FG	FG%	3FG	3FG%	FT	FT%	O-D-T Reb.	Fouls	Assists	Turnovers	Blocks	Steals	Halftime
Illinois State vs. SMU	55 57	20-57 19-48	35.1 39.6	8-26 1-10	30.8 10.0	7-9 18-25	77.8 72.0	12-20-32 11-25-36	21 18	10 7	20 22	5 5	7 8	23 29
Illinois State at Florida State	59 73	23-53 28-53	43.4 52.8	8-23 5-13	34.8 38.5	5-7 12-16	71.4 75.0	6-16-22 11-24-35	20 13	14 12	26 27	3 4	9 8	24 31
McNeese State vs. Illinois State	50 67	18-48 26-60	37.5 43.3	2-10 6-22	20.0 27.3	12-19 9-12	63.2 75.0	9-18-27 18-22-40	13 17	9 15	17 16	6 4	9 6	20 36
Cal State Northridge at Illinois State	44 66	14-54 21-51	25.9 41.2	2-14 8-24	14.3 33.3	14-21 16-24	66.7 66.7	14-24-38 10-27-37	24 20	8 14	23 18	1 7	9 12	16 36
Illinois State at St. John's	78 63	24-56 26-52	42.9 50.0	8-25 2-8	32.0 25.0	22-33 11-16	66.7 68.8	16-19-35 8-21-29	19 22	16 10	17 22	2 5	8 3	41 31
Sacramento State at Illinois State	69 86	29-65 34-56	44.6 60.7	6-16 7-15	37.5 46.7	5-9 11-19	55.6 57.9	13-16-29 12-25-37	21 15	12 26	18 20	1 6	15 7	28 39
UT-Arlington at Illinois State	61 86	20-52 30-57	38.5 52.6	7-22 14-27	31.8 51.9	14-16 12-16	87.5 75.0	13-21-34 8-20-28	20 14	11 25	27 16	2 5	7 11	29 36
Miami (Ohio) at Illinois State	40 64	18-47 22-49	38.3 44.9	2-13 6-18	15.4 33.3	2-8 14-22	25.0 63.6	5-26-31 8-27-35	19 12	11 13	23 15	3 2	19 10	27 25
Illinois State at Evansville	41 69	14-52 26-49	26.9 53.1	7-26 8-12	26.9 66.7	6-11 9-16	54.5 56.3	15-21-36 6-26-32	18 13	9 16	17 11	2 4	6 4	27 28
Illinois State at Western Michigan	57 65	23-59 21-51	39.0 41.2	5-28 5-14	17.9 35.7	6-9 18-25	66.7 72.0	11-16-27 16-26-42	21 16	14 12	9 14	3 3	3 3	24 27
Lewis at Illinois State	66 85	21-42 31-58	50.0 53.4	11-18 7-19	61.1 36.8	13-15 16-29	86.7 55.2	5-23-28 13-17-30	25 20	18 23	28 12	2 1	7 14	36 47
Illinois State at Illinois-Chicago	77 69	26-60 26-63	43.3 41.3	11-28 11-22	39.3 50.0	14-21 6-8	66.7 75.0	12-26-38 12-26-38	14 18	17 21	13 18	3 5	8 5	36 32
Southern Illinois at Illinois State	68 49	24-48 19-59	50.0 32.2	8-20 8-27	40.0 29.6	12-22 3-9	54.5 33.3	9-32-41 11-23-34	11 18	17 10	13 11	7 1	7 5	27 20
Illinois State at Creighton	71 79	27-58 27-42	46.6 64.3	12-26 4-11	46.2 36.4	5-9 21-26	55.6 80.8	11-9-20 8-23-31	21 14	17 12	13 18	3 1	8 8	30 38
Indiana State at Illinois State	54 50	15-47 18-55	31.9 32.7	6-21 4-24	28.6 16.7	18-22 10-15	81.8 66.7	11-24-35 16-24-40	16 19	10 10	14 12	0 1	6 7	25 20
Northern Iowa at Illinois State	64 67	22-54 24-55	40.7 43.6	6-20 6-19	30.0 31.6	14-19 13-16	73.7 81.3	5-27-32 6-30-36	18 17	15 13	15 16	4 2	8 7	25 25
Illinois State at Drake	66 70	25-53 25-55	47.2 45.5	10-22 3-11	45.5 27.3	6-12 17-24	50.0 70.8	15-20-35 15-18-33	21 17	11 13	17 13	5 2	8 6	28 33



Ronnie Carlwell • 51

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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 – 2, twice
 Rebounds – 3, twice
 Assists – 1, twice
 Blocked Shots – 1, twice
 Steals – 0
 Minutes – 10 at Evansville, 12-9-06

Last Time Out:
 Played one minute and missed his only field goal attempt

2006-07/SENIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Scored his first points of the season with a dunk against SMU (11/12) • 2006 Will Robinson Endowed Scholarship recipient.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU ^A	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	2	2	0	0	0	0	3
at Florida State ^A	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
vs. McNeese State ^A	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CS-Northridge	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5
at St. John's	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
Sacramento State	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
UT-Arlington	0-2	0-0	1-2	0-2-2	2	1	1	0	0	0	6
Miami (Ohio)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Evansville*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	1	0	10
at Western Michigan	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	3	2	0	1	0	0	9
Lewis	0-2	0-0	0-2	1-2-3	1	0	0	1	1	0	9
at Illinois-Chicago	0-1	0-0	0-2	0-3-3	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Southern Illinois*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Creighton*	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Indiana State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Northern Iowa*	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1-2	1	0	1	1	0	0	9
at Drake*	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Missouri State*											
Wichita State*											
Drake*											
at Bradley*											
at Southern Illinois*											
Evansville*											
Bradley*											
at Missouri State*											
at Wichita State*											
at Indiana State*											
BracketBusters											
Creighton*											
at Northern Iowa*											

^A Games started
^{*} Colonial Classic game
^{*} Missouri Valley Conference game



Greg Dilligard • 50

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CAREER BESTS:

Points – 22 at Indiana State, 12-22-05
 Rebounds – 12 at Indiana State, 12-22-05
 Assists – 4, three times
 Blocked Shots – 7 at Loyola-Chicago, 12-18-04
 Steals – 3, five times
 Minutes – 37 vs. Drake, 2-14-06

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 20 vs. McNeese State, 11-14-06
 Rebounds – 11 at St. John's, 11-25-06
 Assists – 4, twice
 Blocked Shots – 4 vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06
 Steals – 2, twice
 Minutes – 33 at St. John's, 11-25-06

Last Time Out:
 Logged only 12 minutes and finished with four points and no rebounds.

2006-07/SENIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Had his 79 straight games with a start streak come to an end at Creighton (1/1) • Has been slowed with a sprained left foot • Against Miami (Ohio) (12/5) collected a double-double with 11 points and 10 rebounds • Notched his second double-double of the campaign with 11 points and 10 boards against Sacramento State (11/29) • Posted his first double-double of the season at St. John's (11/25) with 17 points and 11 rebounds • Collected a season-high four blocked shots against Cal State Northridge (11/20) • Registered his second career 20-point scoring game with an even 20 against McNeese State (11/14) • Continues to climb up the Illinois State career blocked shot leaderboard and now has 141 for his career, which ranks second all-time • 2006 Doug Collins Endowed Scholarship recipient.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU ^A	2-2	0-0	0-0	2-4-6	4	4	2	2	2	0	27
• at Florida State ^A	4-6	0-0	0-0	1-1-2	4	8	0	1	2	1	20
• vs. McNeese State ^A	9-14	0-0	2-3	5-0-5	4	20	3	1	1	1	32
• CS-Northridge	3-4	0-0	0-2	0-4-4	4	6	3	0	4	0	24
• at St. John's	8-15	0-0	1-5	7-4-11	4	17	4	3	1	2	33
• Sacramento St.	5-6	0-0	1-5	5-5-10	4	11	4	1	1	0	24
• UT-Arlington	3-4	0-0	0-0	1-2-3	2	6	3	2	1	1	26
• Miami (Ohio)	5-7	0-0	1-3	5-5-10	1	11	0	3	0	1	31
• at Evansville*	3-5	0-0	0-2	4-5-9	4	6	2	6	1	0	21
• at Western Michigan	4-7	0-0	1-1	5-2-7	4	9	3	1	0	0	21
• Lewis	5-8	0-0	3-6	0-1-1	4	13	1	2	0	2	22
• at Illinois-Chicago	4-8	0-0	1-2	3-4-7	2	9	2	1	2	0	27
• Southern Illinois*	3-10	0-0	0-0	1-4-5	2	6	0	0	0	1	27
at Creighton*	2-4	0-0	1-3	2-0-2	3	5	0	2	0	1	16
Indiana State*	4-5	0-0	1-4	2-8-10	4	9	1	0	1	0	30
• Northern Iowa*	2-4	0-0	0-0	3-4-7	4	4	1	2	1	0	28
• at Drake*	1-3	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	4	2	0	1	1	0	12
Missouri State*											
Wichita State*											
Drake*											
at Bradley*											
at Southern Illinois*											
Evansville*											
Bradley*											
at Missouri State*											
at Wichita State*											
at Indiana State*											
BracketBusters											



Levi Dyer • 32

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CAREER BESTS:

Points – 20 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-9-07
 Rebounds – 13 at Drake, 1-13-07
 Assists – 4 vs. Drake, 2-14-06
 Blocked Shots – 2, twice
 Steals – 3, twice
 Minutes – 35 vs. Drake, 2-14-06

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 20 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-9-07
 Rebounds – 13 at Drake, 1-13-07
 Assists – 1, eight times
 Blocked Shots – 2 vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06
 Steals – 3 vs. Lewis, 12-19-06
 Minutes – 34 at Drake, 1-13-07

Last Time Out:

Netted his first double-double with a career-high 13 rebounds and 14 points on 6-of-8 shooting.

2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Recorded the first double-double of his career at Drake (1/13) with a career-best 13 rebounds paired with 14 points • Poured in a career-high 20 points, thanks to a 4-for-5 effort on threes, to lead the Redbirds in an overtime win over Northern Iowa (1/9) • Scored in double figures in five straight games • Grabbed a career-high nine rebounds and added 10 points against Southern Illinois (12/29) • Tossed in 17 points against UT-Arlington (12/2) on 6-for-7 shooting • Matched his career-high with a pair of blocked shots against Cal State Northridge (11/20) • 2006 Milt Weisbecker Endowed Scholarship recipient.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU ^A	1-5	1-3	2-2	1-1-2	3	5	0	2	0	0	13
at Florida State ^A	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	1	0	0	1	12
vs. McNeese State ^A	1-3	0-0	0-0	1-2-3	1	2	0	3	0	0	5
CS-Northridge	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-4-4	3	0	0	1	2	1	16
at St. John's	1-2	1-2	2-2	0-0-0	2	5	0	0	0	0	6
Sacramento St.	1-2	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	2	1	1	1	0	5
UT-Arlington	6-7	3-4	2-2	0-4-4	2	17	1	0	1	2	16
Miami (Ohio)	4-6	1-1	0-0	1-3-4	0	9	1	0	0	0	15
at Evansville [*]	0-1	0-1	2-4	2-0-2	0	2	0	0	0	0	17
at Western Michigan	3-9	1-5	0-1	0-2-2	2	7	0	1	1	1	16
Lewis	2-7	0-3	2-2	0-2-2	3	6	1	2	0	3	18
• at Illinois-Chicago	4-9	2-6	0-0	1-2-3	4	10	1	2	0	0	21
• Southern Illinois [*]	4-13	2-6	0-3	3-6-9	1	10	1	0	1	0	24
• at Creighton [*]	6-8	1-3	0-0	0-3-3	5	13	1	3	1	1	23
• Indiana State [*]	3-9	1-5	4-4	2-3-5	4	11	0	1	0	2	26
• Northern Iowa [*]	6-13	4-5	4-5	0-5-5	3	20	0	1	1	0	27
• at Drake [*]	6-8	2-3	0-1	3-10-13	2	14	1	2	0	1	34
Missouri State [*]											
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Osiris Eldridge • 0

G • 6-3 • 190 • Fr.-HS • Chicago, Ill. (Phillips Academy)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 28 at Creighton, 1-1-07
 Rebounds – 8 vs. Indiana State, 1-6-07
 Assists – 3, twice
 Blocked Shots – 0
 Steals – 3, twice
 Minutes – 33 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-9-07

Last Time Out:

Settled for four points on 1-for-8 shooting and added seven rebounds in 31 minutes of play.

2006-07/FRESHMAN AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Has made two of his last 12 three-point attempts • His steal in the final seconds of overtime secured the 67-64 win over Northern Iowa (1/9) • His career-high 28 points at Creighton (1/1) tied the third highest single-game scoring total by a freshman in Illinois State history • He also tied the school record with eight made three-pointers in the game at Creighton (1/1) • In his hometown, tossed in 19 points at Illinois-Chicago (12/23) • Scored 14 points against UT-Arlington (12/2) • Began his college career by shooting 1-for-22 (.045) from the floor in his first four games • Made his first career basket with a three-point shot against McNeese State (11/14) • Scored his first points of his career with a pair of free throws at Florida State (11/13) • Four of his team-high 13 points in the exhibition win over UMSL came on fast break dunks.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU ^A	0-7	0-3	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	3	2	0	3	15
at Florida State ^A	0-4	0-3	2-2	0-3-3	2	2	1	4	0	0	17
vs. McNeese State ^A	1-6	1-4	0-0	1-4-5	1	3	0	1	0	0	20
CS-Northridge	0-5	0-3	1-2	1-3-4	0	1	0	1	0	0	19
at St. John's	2-5	2-3	2-2	1-1-2	1	8	2	2	0	1	17
Sacramento St.	1-3	0-0	1-2	1-0-1	1	3	0	1	0	0	6
UT-Arlington	5-9	4-7	0-0	0-2-2	0	14	2	0	0	0	12
Miami (Ohio)	2-5	1-3	0-0	0-2-2	2	5	1	1	0	1	21
at Evansville [*]	3-8	3-6	0-0	2-5-7	2	9	0	0	0	1	21
at Western Michigan	2-5	0-2	0-0	1-1-2	0	4	1	1	0	0	18
Lewis	3-4	0-1	0-3	0-1-1	1	6	1	1	0	2	17
at Illinois-Chicago	6-10	3-4	4-4	4-2-6	2	19	0	1	0	2	20
Southern Illinois [*]	4-11	2-6	0-0	2-2-4	1	10	0	1	0	2	26
• at Creighton [*]	10-17	8-11	0-0	1-2-3	4	28	0	1	1	2	29
• Indiana State [*]	4-13	1-6	0-0	6-2-8	2	9	1	4	0	2	32
• Northern Iowa [*]	6-11	1-4	5-6	0-4-4	0	18	3	1	0	3	33
• at Drake [*]	1-8	0-2	2-3	23-4-7	0	4	1	2	0	1	31
Missouri State [*]											
Wichita State [*]											
Drake [*]											
at Bradley [*]											
at Southern Illinois [*]											
Evansville [*]											
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BracketBusters											
Creighton [*]											
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^A Games started

^{*} Colonial Classic game

^{*} Missouri Valley Conference game



Roberto Fortes • 1

G • 6-4 • 195 • Sr.-1L • Fort Wayne, Ind. (Daytona Beach CC)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 23 at Miami (Ohio), 2-18-06
 Rebounds – 7 at St. John's, 11-25-06
 Assists – 5 at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06
 Blocked Shots – 0
 Steals – 3, twice
 Minutes – 37 vs. Drake, 2-14-06

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 15 at Western Michigan, 12-19-06
 Rebounds – 7 at St. John's, 11-25-06
 Assists – 5 at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06
 Blocked Shots – 0
 Steals – 3 vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06
 Minutes – 32 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06

Last Time Out:

Played three minutes and finished with a point after converting one of his two free throw attempts.

2006-07/SENIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Has played four minutes in the last two games combined after starting the first 13 games of the season • Poured in a season-best 15 points at Western Michigan (12/16) • Tossed in 13 points against UT-Arlington (12/2) • Posted his first double-digit scoring game of the season with 13 points at St. John's (11/25) • Added a career-best seven rebounds against the Red Storm.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU ^A	2-5	1-3	1-1	1-4-5	3	6	0	2	0	0	24
• at Florida State ^A	2-7	1-3	0-1	0-2-2	2	5	2	5	0	2	31
• vs. McNeese State ^A	2-6	1-4	2-2	0-3-3	1	7	2	1	0	1	24
• CS-Northridge	0-3	0-1	2-2	1-3-4	2	2	1	2	0	3	25
• at St. John's	3-10	1-6	6-8	2-5-7	3	13	1	1	0	0	27
• Sacramento St.	4-8	3-6	0-0	0-0-0	0	11	3	4	0	2	32
• UT-Arlington	5-10	3-6	0-0	1-2-3	1	13	4	1	0	2	28
• Miami (Ohio)	0-3	0-3	2-2	0-0-0	3	2	2	2	0	0	23
• at Evansville*	1-6	1-4	0-0	1-1-2	4	3	2	1	0	0	21
• at Western Michigan	6-11	2-7	1-1	0-4-4	3	15	1	3	0	0	29
• Lewis	1-4	1-3	0-1	0-0-0	2	3	3	2	0	1	24
• at Illinois-Chicago	2-6	1-4	0-0	0-1-1	1	5	5	0	0	1	25
• Southern Illinois*	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-2-2	3	0	1	2	0	0	20
at Creighton*	0-1	0-1	0-0	1-0-1	2	0	1	0	0	0	15
Indiana State*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Northern Iowa*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Drake*	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Missouri State*											
Wichita State*											
Drake*											
at Bradley*											
at Southern Illinois*											
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Bobby Hill • 24

F • 6-6 • 210 • Fr.-HS • St. Louis, Mo. (Vashon)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 6 vs. Northern Iowa, 1-9-07
 Rebounds – 2, twice
 Assists – 1 vs. UT-Arlington, 12-2-06
 Blocked Shots – 1 at Drake, 1-13-07
 Steals – 2 at Drake, 1-13-07
 Minutes – 14, twice

Last Time Out:

Logged six minutes and registered two steals, an assist, a turnover and a personal foul.

2006-07/FRESHMAN AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Has played 34 minutes in the last three games after playing in a total of 26 minutes in the first 14 games of the season • Tossed in a career-high six points against Northern Iowa (1/9) • Scored his first collegiate points against UT-Arlington (12/2) and finished with four in game.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU ^A	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Florida State ^A	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
vs. McNeese State ^A	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CS-Northridge	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
at St. John's	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Sacramento St.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
UT-Arlington	1-3	0-0	2-2	1-1-2	0	4	1	1	0	0	5
Miami (Ohio)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Evansville*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
at Western Michigan	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Lewis	1-4	0-0	2-2	2-0-2	0	4	0	0	0	0	7
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois*	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
at Creighton*	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Indiana State*	1-2	0-0	2-2	0-0-0	0	4	0	1	0	1	14
Northern Iowa*	3-4	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	0	6	0	0	0	0	14
at Drake*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	1	1	2	6
Missouri State*											
Wichita State*											
Drake*											
at Bradley*											
at Southern Illinois*											
Evansville*											
Bradley*											
at Missouri State*											
at Wichita State*											
at Indiana State*											
BracketBusters											
Creighton*											
at Northern Iowa*											

* Games started
 * Colonial Classic game
 * Missouri Valley Conference game



Brandon Holtz • 45

G • 6-4 • 185 • So.-1L • Bloomington, Ill. (Bloomington)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 12 vs. Southern Illinois, 1-28-06
 Rebounds – 5, twice
 Assists – 3 vs. Wichita State, 1-8-06
 Blocked Shots – 1, twice
 Steals – 2, four times
 Minutes – 25 vs. Southern Illinois, 1-28-06

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 10 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06
 Rebounds – 3 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06
 Assists – 1, three times
 Blocked Shots – 1 at Drake, 1-13-07
 Steals – 2, twice
 Minutes – 19 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06

Last Time Out:
 Played 13 minutes and scored five points on 2-for-6 shooting.

2006-07/SOPHOMORE AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Tossed in a season-best 10 points on 4-for-7 shooting against Sacramento State (11/29) • Scored nine points, all from treys, against Cal State Northridge (11/20).

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FTA	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU ^A	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Florida State ^A	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
vs. McNeese State ^A	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CS-Northridge	3-6	3-6	0-0	0-1-1	1	9	0	0	0	0	9
at St. John's	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Sacramento St.	4-7	2-5	0-1	1-2-3	2	10	1	1	0	1	19
UT-Arlington	0-2	0-2	1-2	0-1-1	1	1	1	0	0	0	14
Miami (Ohio)	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Evansville [*]	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-2-2	0	0	1	0	0	0	8
at Western Michigan	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Lewis	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois [*]	1-3	1-3	0-0	0-0-0	0	3	0	0	0	0	7
at Creighton [*]	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	1	0	1	6
Indiana State [*]	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Northern Iowa [*]	1-3	1-2	0-0	0-1-1	1	3	0	4	0	2	18
at Drake [*]	2-6	1-3	0-0	0-0-0	2	5	0	1	1	2	13
Missouri State [*]											
Wichita State [*]											
Drake [*]											
at Bradley [*]											
at Southern Illinois [*]											
Evansville [*]											
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at Missouri State [*]											
at Wichita State [*]											
at Indiana State [*]											
BracketBusters											
Creighton [*]											
at Northern Iowa [*]											

^{*} Games started
[^] Colonial Classic game
^{*} Missouri Valley Conference game



Dom Johnson • 10

G • 6-0 • 185 • Jr.-TR • Bell City, Mo. (Three Rivers CC)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 32 vs. Florida State, 11-13-06
 Rebounds – 5 vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06
 Assists – 6 at Creighton, 1-1-07
 Blocked Shots – 1, five times
 Steals – 3, three times
 Minutes – 38, twice

Last Time Out:
 Finished with four points on 1-for-6 shooting and added five assists in 32 minutes.

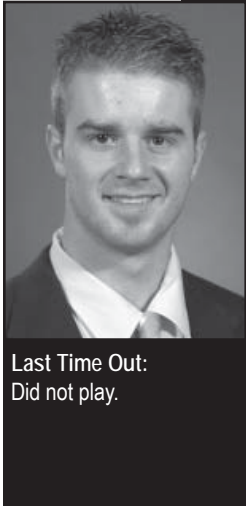
2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Recorded a career-best 32 points on 12-for-23 shooting at Florida State (11/13), including a 7-for-13 effort on threes • Poured in a game-high 15 points against SMU (11/12), powered by five 3-pointers • Named the Valley Newcomer of the Week (11/13) after his performance against SMU in the Colonial Classic.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FTA	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU ^A	5-12	5-11	0-0	1-0-1	1	15	1	1	1	0	35
• at Florida State ^A	12-23	7-15	1-1	0-1-1	1	32	4	3	1	3	37
• vs. McNeese State ^A	1-11	1-8	0-0	2-1-3	1	3	2	3	0	2	35
• CS-Northridge	5-9	4-7	2-2	1-4-5	2	16	1	4	0	2	27
• at St. John's	2-7	1-5	2-3	0-0-0	2	7	2	3	0	3	37
• Sacramento St.	2-5	0-2	4-4	0-2-2	1	8	4	3	1	2	34
• UT-Arlington	4-8	3-6	2-2	0-3-3	0	13	3	0	0	0	24
• Miami (Ohio)	3-9	3-8	0-0	0-2-2	3	9	3	1	0	3	34
• at Evansville [*]	4-10	3-7	0-0	0-1-1	1	11	1	0	0	1	32
• at Western Michigan	2-11	1-7	0-0	0-2-2	1	5	3	1	0	1	35
• Lewis	3-5	3-5	2-2	0-2-2	1	11	5	2	0	2	31
• at Illinois-Chicago	5-13	4-9	0-0	0-2-2	1	14	2	0	1	1	38
• Southern Illinois [*]	4-10	2-7	1-2	0-2-2	3	11	3	2	0	0	38
• at Creighton [*]	2-10	2-6	0-0	0-0-0	2	6	6	4	1	1	37
• Indiana State [*]	4-11	2-9	0-0	0-2-2	1	10	2	0	0	1	38
• Northern Iowa [*]	3-6	0-3	1-1	0-3-3	2	7	4	3	0	0	33
• at Drake [*]	1-6	1-5	1-2	2-0-2	3	4	5	3	0	0	32
Missouri State [*]											
Wichita State [*]											
Drake [*]											
at Bradley [*]											
at Southern Illinois [*]											
Evansville [*]											
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at Indiana State [*]											
BracketBusters											
Creighton [*]											
at Northern Iowa [*]											

^{*} Games started
[^] Colonial Classic game
^{*} Missouri Valley Conference game



Julius Moor • 22

G • 6-3 • 185 • Jr.-TR • Kieler, Wis. (Kirkwood CC)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 1 vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06
 Rebounds – 1 vs. McNeese State, 11-14-06
 Assists – 0
 Blocked Shots – 0
 Steals – 1 vs. UT-Arlington, 12-2-06
 Minutes – 6 vs. UT-Arlington, 12-2-06

Last Time Out:
 Did not play.

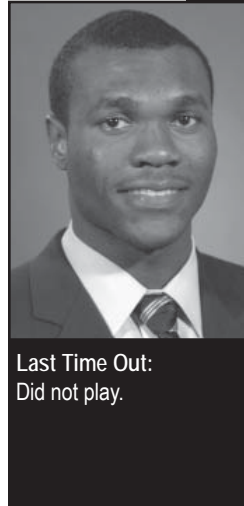
2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Has not seen game action in the last six contests • Scored his first career point with a made free throw against Cal State Northridge (11/20).

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FTA	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU ^A	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Florida State ^A	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
vs. McNeese State ^A	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1-1	0	0	0	2	0	0	3
CS-Northridge	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
at St. John's	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Sacramento St.	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
UT-Arlington	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	2	0	1	6
Miami (Ohio)	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Evansville*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
at Western Michigan	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Lewis	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Creighton*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Indiana State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Northern Iowa*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Drake*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Missouri State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Wichita State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Drake*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Bradley*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Southern Illinois*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Evansville*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Bradley*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Missouri State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Wichita State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Indiana State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
BracketBusters	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Creighton*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Northern Iowa*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										

* Games started
^A Colonial Classic game
^{*} Missouri Valley Conference game



Dinma Odiakosa • 42

F • 6-8 • 240 • So.-1L • Akwukwu, Nigeria (St. Patrick's)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 6 vs. Indiana State, 1-25-06
 Rebounds – 10 vs. Indiana State, 1-25-06
 Assists – 1, five times
 Blocked Shots – 2 at Bradley, 2-1-06
 Steals – 1, three times
 Minutes – 20, twice

Last Time Out:
 Did not play.

2006-07/SOPHOMORE AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Expected to redshirt this season • Recorded a pair of blocked shots and added four rebounds and two points in the exhibition game.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FTA	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU ^A	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Florida State ^A	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
vs. McNeese State ^A	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
CS-Northridge	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at St. John's	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Sacramento St.	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
UT-Arlington	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Miami (Ohio)	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Evansville*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Western Michigan	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Lewis	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Creighton*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Indiana State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Northern Iowa*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Drake*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Missouri State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Wichita State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Drake*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Bradley*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Southern Illinois*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Evansville*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Bradley*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Missouri State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Wichita State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Indiana State*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
BracketBusters	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Creighton*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
at Northern Iowa*	Did not play – Coach's Decision										

* Games started
^A Colonial Classic game
^{*} Missouri Valley Conference game



Boo Richardson • 5

G • 5-8 • 160 • Jr.-TR • Kansas City, Kan. (Coffeyville CC)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 24 at Drake, 1-13-07
 Rebounds – 7 at Illinois-Chicago, 12-23-06
 Assists – 11 vs. Lewis, 12-19-06
 Blocked Shots – 0
 Steals – 2, twice
 Minutes – 39, twice

Last Time Out:

Scored a game-high and career-high 24 points in 39 minutes of play, while shooting 6-of-9 on threes.

2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Poured in a career-high 24 points on 8-for-13 shooting, including 6-of-9 on threes, at Drake (1/13)
 • Notched his first career double-double with 20 points and 11 assists against Lewis (12/19)
 • Named the Valley Newcomer of the Week on Nov. 27 and Dec. 26 • Has nine double-figure scoring games on the season • Scored 23 points in the win over McNeese State (11/14), while also adding seven assists.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU [^]	4-13	0-4	2-2	1-1-2	3	10	4	6	0	1	38
• at Florida State [^]	1-6	0-0	2-2	1-1-2	4	4	4	6	0	0	34
• vs. McNeese State [^]	8-12	3-5	4-5	1-2-3	1	23	7	2	0	1	36
• CS-Northridge	4-7	1-3	6-7	1-1-2	2	15	8	5	0	0	30
• at St. John's	5-10	3-8	5-6	1-2-3	3	18	4	5	0	1	31
• Sacramento St.	4-8	2-2	2-3	0-3-3	3	12	8	5	0	1	27
• UT-Arlington	2-3	1-2	2-4	0-1-1	1	7	7	5	0	2	31
• Miami (Ohio)	4-9	1-2	4-7	0-4-4	1	13	4	5	0	1	35
at Evansville*	0-11	0-5	2-3	0-1-1	1	2	2	5	0	2	35
• at Western Michigan	1-9	1-7	3-4	1-1-2	2	6	6	1	0	1	39
• Lewis	8-11	3-5	1-4	0-4-4	1	20	11	2	0	1	32
• at Illinois-Chicago	4-9	1-5	8-11	0-7-7	3	17	7	5	0	1	37
• Southern Illinois*	0-5	0-2	0-0	0-0-0	5	0	3	6	0	2	27
• at Creighton*	2-9	1-3	2-2	1-2-3	1	7	9	1	0	1	38
• Indiana State*	0-10	0-4	1-2	2-3-5	3	1	6	3	0	1	35
• Northern Iowa*	2-8	0-4	0-0	0-4-4	2	4	4	1	0	2	38
• at Drake*	8-13	6-9	2-2	0-2-2	5	24	3	4	0	1	39

Missouri State*
Wichita State*
Drake*
at Bradley*
at Southern Illinois*
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at Wichita State*
at Indiana State*
BracketBusters
Creighton*
at Northern Iowa*

* Games started
[^] Colonial Classic game
 * Missouri Valley Conference game



Anthony Slack • 4

F • 6-7 • 210 • Jr.-TR • New Orleans, La. (Coffeyville CC)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 22 vs. Lewis, 12-19-06
 Rebounds – 12 vs. SMU, 11-12-06
 Assists – 2, three times
 Blocked Shots – 3, three times
 Steals – 5 vs. Cal State Northridge, 11-20-06
 Minutes – 33 vs. Miami (Ohio), 12-5-06

Last Time Out:

Tossed in 12 points on 6-for-7 shooting and added seven boards, including five offensive caroms.

2006-07/JUNIOR AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Has been slowed with a back injury • Scored in double figures eight times this season • Tossed in a career-best 22 points against Lewis (12/19) in only 17 minutes • Collected his second double-double of the season with 15 points and 10 boards against Miami (Ohio) (12/5) • Posted his first career double-double with 21 points and 10 rebounds against Sacramento State (11/29)
 • Notched his first career double-digit scoring game in his home debut with 12 points against Cal State Northridge (11/20) • Also added five steals versus CSUN • Swatted a career-high four blocked shots vs. McNeese State (11/24) • Collected a game-high 12 rebounds against SMU.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
• vs. SMU [^]	4-7	1-2	0-2	3-9-12	4	9	0	3	2	2	25
• at Florida State [^]	4-5	0-1	0-0	0-5-5	2	8	2	5	0	1	26
• vs. McNeese State [^]	3-5	0-1	1-2	4-4-8	4	7	0	1	3	1	23
• CS-Northridge	5-11	0-1	2-5	2-5-7	1	12	1	3	1	5	28
• at St. John's	3-7	0-1	4-7	1-6-7	2	10	1	1	1	0	29
• Sacramento St.	9-10	0-0	3-4	2-8-10	3	21	1	3	3	1	27
• UT-Arlington	4-8	0-0	2-2	2-1-3	2	10	2	3	3	3	26
• Miami (Ohio)	4-9	0-1	7-10	2-8-10	2	15	2	3	2	4	33
• at Evansville*	2-7	0-0	0-0	2-4-6	4	4	0	2	0	1	18
• at Western Michigan	4-5	0-0	1-2	1-1-2	5	9	0	0	2	0	22
• Lewis	8-9	0-0	6-7	2-2-4	5	22	1	0	0	2	17
at Illinois-Chicago	1-4	0-0	1-2	3-5-8	1	3	0	4	0	3	26
Southern Illinois*	3-5	1-1	2-4	3-7-10	2	9	1	0	0	0	23
• at Creighton*	5-7	0-1	2-4	3-0-3	2	12	0	1	0	1	27
• Indiana State*	2-5	0-0	2-3	2-6-8	5	6	0	2	0	0	20
Northern Iowa*	1-3	0-0	2-2	0-1-1	0	4	0	2	0	0	10
at Drake*	6-7	0-0	0-2	5-2-7	4	12	1	0	2	1	23

Missouri State*
Wichita State*
Drake*
at Bradley*
at Southern Illinois*
Evansville*
Bradley*
at Missouri State*
at Wichita State*
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BracketBusters
Creighton*
at Northern Iowa*

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[^] Colonial Classic game
 * Missouri Valley Conference game



Mike Vandello • 31

F • 6-7 • 220 • So.-1L • Bettendorf, Iowa (Bettendorf)

CAREER BESTS:

Points – 11 vs. Indiana State, 1-25-06
 Rebounds – 8 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06
 Assists – 5 vs. UW-Green Bay, 12-3-05
 Blocked Shots – 1, four times
 Steals – 3 vs. Evansville, 1-16-06
 Minutes – 31 vs. Georgia Southern, 12-10-05

SEASON BESTS:

Points – 8 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06
 Rebounds – 8 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06
 Assists – 4 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06
 Blocked Shots – 0
 Steals – 1, five times
 Minutes – 23 vs. Sacramento State, 11-29-06

Last Time Out:
 Played six minutes,
 missed his only field
 goal attempt and had a
 turnover.

2006-07/SOPHOMORE AT ILLINOIS STATE:

Of his last 10 games, played his longest outing (15 minutes) against Northern Iowa (1/9) • Did not play against Miami (Ohio) due to a shoulder injury • Collected a career best eight rebounds against Sacramento State (11/29), also added eight points and four assists • Shot 2-for-9 (.222) in the Colonial Classic in Tallahassee, Fla.

2006-07 GAME-BY-GAME STATISTICS:

Opponent	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-D-T	PF	TP	A	TO	BLK	S	MIN
vs. SMU ^A	1-5	0-0	2-2	2-0-2	0	4	0	2	0	1	18
at Florida State ^A	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-3-3	4	0	0	2	0	1	19
vs. McNeese State ^A	1-3	0-0	0-0	2-2-4	4	2	1	2	0	0	19
CS-Northridge	1-2	0-0	2-2	2-1-3	2	4	0	2	0	1	12
at St. John's	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0-1	1	0	2	2	0	1	13
Sacramento St.	4-7	0-0	0-0	3-5-8	1	8	4	1	0	0	23
UT-Arlington	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	2	0	0	2	0	0	6
Miami (Ohio)	Did not play – Injury										
at Evansville*	1-1	0-0	2-2	2-1-3	2	4	1	2	0	1	12
at Western Michigan	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	11
Lewis	0-2	0-0	0-0	3-2-5	2	0	0	0	0	1	13
at Illinois-Chicago	Did not play – Coach's Decision										
Southern Illinois*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
at Creighton*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Indiana State*	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
Northern Iowa*	0-2	0-1	1-2	1-2-3	4	1	0	1	0	0	15
at Drake*	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	6
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EXHIBITION 1
Redbirds Win Lone Exhibition, 60-49

NORMAL, Ill. – The newcomers made quite an opening impression for the Illinois State men's basketball team, as freshman guard Osiris Eldridge led the team with 13 points, on 3-for-4 shooting from beyond the arc, and junior-transfer Anthony Slack recorded a double-double with 10 points and a team-leading 11 rebounds in ISU's 83-58 victory over Division II Missouri-St. Louis in exhibition action Wednesday night at Redbird Arena.

Eldridge and Slack were two of four Redbirds to score in double figures as junior center Levi Dyer and senior forward Greg Dilligard each chipped in 10 points a piece.

The 'Birds also had a fantastic shooting night, connecting on 57 percent of their shots, including 9-of-22 from long distance. The Redbird defense proved to be equally up to the challenge, holding the Rivermen to 33 percent from the floor and scoring 16 points off UMSL turnovers.

Illinois State opened the second half on a 17-4 run and never looked back. Junior Dominatrix Johnson poured in five points for the 'Birds during the run that put the game out of reach. The Redbirds' hot shooting touch carried over from the first half as ISU built its lead to as many as 28 points.

ILLINOIS STATE 83, Missouri-St. Louis 58
November 1, 2006 • Redbird Arena

UMSL	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Ledbetter, f	29	5-9	4-6	4-4	2-5	1	1	18
Slaten, f	27	3-12	2-7	4-4	1-3	1	1	12
Ward, c	27	3-7	0-0	0-0	2-5	2	2	6
Boateng, g	18	2-6	1-3	0-2	3-4	0	1	5
Hawkins, g	20	2-10	0-0	0-1	2-4	2	2	4
DeChellis	19	2-3	0-0	0-0	0-3	0	2	4
Kliethermes	8	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	2	2
Jackson	16	1-3	0-1	0-0	1-3	1	0	2
Whittaker	22	2-7	1-2	0-0	0-1	2	0	5
Adams	14	0-5	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	2	0
Totals	200	21-63	8-19	8-11	14-35	9	13	58

Team Pct.: FG – .333; FT – .727

Blocks: 1 (Jackson 1)

Turnovers: 14 (Ledbetter 1, Slaten 3, Ward 1, Boateng 2, Hawkins 3, Kliethermes 1, Jackson 1, Whittaker 2)

Steals: 4 (Ledbetter 1, Slaten 1, Hawkins 2)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	20	5-9	0-1	0-1	3-11	0	3	10
Vandello, f	16	1-2	0-0	2-2	2-4	1	1	4
Dilligard, f	18	5-7	0-0	0-2	1-3	0	2	10
Richardson, g	24	4-7	0-3	1-2	0-0	7	1	9
Johnson, g	20	2-4	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	5
Eldridge	21	5-8	3-4	0-0	1-4	2	1	13
Fortes	19	2-7	2-4	1-2	0-2	4	1	7
Moor	10	3-4	1-2	0-0	0-1	1	0	7
Hill	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Dyer	18	4-7	1-3	1-2	0-3	2	0	10
Odiakosa	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-4	0	3	2
Holtz	11	2-4	1-3	0-0	0-1	2	1	5
Carlwell	7	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-2	0	1	1
Totals	200	34-60	9-22	6-13	9-39	21	15	83

Team Pct.: FG – .567; FT – .462

Blocks: 5 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1, Odiakosa 2, Carlwell 1)

Turnovers: 12 (Vandello 2, Dilligard 1, Richardson 2, Eldridge 2, Moor 1, Hill 1, Dyer 1, Odiakosa 2)

Steals: 9 (Dilligard 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Eldridge 3, Holtz 2)

Officials: Dan Dorian, Bill Oostdyk, Tom O'Neill Jr.

Attendance: 3,295

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 38, UMSL 30

GAME 1
SMU Tip-in Spoils Redbird Comeback

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – SMU's Devon Pearson tipped in a missed lay-up by Derrick Roberts in the game's final second to spoil Illinois State's rally from 11 points down in the season opener at the Colonial Classic at the Donald L. Tucker Center on Sunday night.

Trailing 44-33 with 9:54 left in the game, the Redbirds (0-1) used a 19-5 run, including 10 points by Boo Richardson, to take a 52-49 lead with 3:43 on the clock. However, Ike Ofoegbu scored 11 of the Mustangs' final 13 points to give SMU (1-0) a 55-52 with 1:50 remaining. Dominatrix Johnson buried a deep three-pointer, his fifth of the game, to tie the score at 55-55 with 27 seconds on the clock.

Holding for the last possession, Roberts drove along the left side of the lane and his lay-up bounced off the rim, but Pearson flashed in from the right side with the tip-in.

The three-ball was working early for the Redbirds, as ISU shot its way to an early 16-7 lead with 12:13 left in the first half. Trailing 7-6, the Redbirds used a 10-0 run, with treys from post players Anthony Slack and Levi Dyer. However, ISU suffered through a pair of four-minute scoring droughts in the final 12 minutes and SMU responded with an 18-5 spurt to take a 25-21 lead. Thanks to a Bamba Fall's jumper at the buzzer, the Mustangs took a 29-23 lead at the intermission.

Johnson led the way for the Redbirds with 15 points, with all five baskets coming from beyond the arc. Richardson added 10 points, while Slack finished with nine points and a game-high 12 rebounds. SMU was led by Ofoegbu, who finished with 21 points, and Bamba Fall, who tossed in 11.

The Redbirds shot 35 percent from the field, including 31 percent in the first half. ISU also finished with nine free throw attempts, while SMU recorded 25.

SMU 57, ILLINOIS STATE 55
November 12, 2006 • Donald L. Tucker Center

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	25	4-7	1-2	0-2	3-12	0	4	9
Dilligard, f	27	2-2	0-0	0-0	2-6	2	4	4
Fortes, g	24	2-5	1-3	1-1	1-5	0	3	6
Richardson, g	38	4-13	0-4	2-2	1-2	4	3	10
Johnson, g	35	5-12	5-11	0-0	1-1	1	1	15
Eldridge	15	0-7	0-3	0-0	0-0	3	1	0
Moor	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	18	1-5	0-0	2-2	2-2	0	0	4
Dyer	13	1-5	1-3	2-2	1-2	0	3	5
Carlwell	3	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	2
Totals	200	20-57	8-26	7-9	12-32	10	21	55

Team Pct.: FG – .351; FT – .778

Blocks: 5 (Slack 2, Dilligard 2, Johnson 1)

Turnovers: 20 (Slack 3, Dilligard 2, Fortes 2, Richardson 6, Johnson 1, Eldridge 2, Vandello 2, Dyer 2)

Steals: 7 (Slack 2, Richardson 1, Eldridge 3, Vandello 1)

SMU	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Pearson, f	33	3-12	0-4	1-1	3-10	1	2	7
Ofoegbu, f	28	4-8	1-2	12-17	2-5	1	4	21
Fall, c	29	5-9	0-0	1-2	2-5	1	4	11
Killen, g	38	1-5	0-1	2-2	0-2	3	1	4
Roberts, g	28	3-6	0-1	0-1	1-3	0	1	6
Ritter	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Willingham	18	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	1	1	0
Rackauskas	21	3-7	0-1	2-2	2-8	0	5	8
Spencer	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	19-48	1-10	18-25	11-36	7	18	57

Team Pct.: FG – .396; FT – .720

Blocks: 5 (Fall 3, Rackauskas 2)

Turnovers: 22 (Pearson 2, Ofoegbu 4, Fall 3, Killen 5, Roberts 2, Rackauskas 6)

Steals: 8 (Ofoegbu 1, Killen 4, Roberts 2, Willingham 1)

Officials: Mike Sanzere, Gerry Pollard, Don Daily

Attendance: 6,807

Halftime Score: SMU 29, ILLINOIS STATE 23

GAME 2
Johnson's Hot Hand Can't Sink Seminoles

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – Junior guard Dominatrix Johnson single-handedly kept Illinois State in the game, but in the end his career-high 32 points weren't enough as the Redbirds fell to Florida State 73-59, in the second day of the Colonial Classic at the Donald L. Tucker Center, Monday night.

The Redbirds (0-2) were never able to overcome a seven-point halftime deficit as Florida State (2-0) led by as many as 17 points in the second half. However, Johnson continued his torrid shooting with his fifth 3-point basket of the second half and dwindled the lead to 66-57 with 2:55 left. Florida State's Al Thornton tried to match Johnson point for point in the second half and finished with 20 points, including 18 in the final frame.

For the second night in a row, Illinois State stormed out of the gate early. The Redbirds jumped on the Seminoles and took an 11-1 lead at the 16:31 mark. It was a total team effort as all five starters scored a basket in the game's first four minutes with Roberto Fortes hitting the game's first three-pointer.

The teams traded baskets to make the score 13-3 with 14:54 left on the clock, but much like the SMU game, the Redbirds were slowed by a couple of four minute scoring droughts in the final 12 minutes of the half. FSU took advantage of the first drought and closed the score to 13-12.

ISU recovered from Florida State's first run and continued to lead thanks the hot shooting of Johnson, who finished with 11 points in the first half. But with the Redbirds leading 19-17 and 8:56 on the clock, ISU suffered its second four-minute scoreless rut of the half. Again the Seminoles capitalized with a 14-5 run to end the half and as a result took a seven-point lead into the locker room at 31-24.

Johnson's 30-point scoring night was the first by a Redbird since Trey Guidry fired in 30 at Creighton on Jan. 22, 2005 and the most since Tarise Bryson scored 38 points in the 2001 National Invitational Tournament game at Purdue.

Florida State 73, ILLINOIS STATE 59
November 13, 2006 • Donald L. Tucker Center

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	26	4-5	0-1	0-0	0-5	2	2	8
Dilligard, f	20	4-6	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	4	8
Fortes, g	31	2-7	1-3	0-1	0-2	2	2	5
Richardson, g	34	1-6	0-0	2-2	1-2	4	4	4
Johnson, g	37	12-23	7-15	1-1	0-1	4	1	32
Eldridge	17	0-4	0-3	2-2	0-3	1	2	2
Vandello	19	0-1	0-1	0-1	0-3	0	4	0
Dyer	12	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0
Carlwell	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	23-53	8-23	5-7	6-22	14	20	59

Team Pct.: FG – .434; FT – .714

Blocks: 3 (Dilligard 2, Johnson 1)

Turnovers: 26 (Slack 5, Dilligard 1, Fortes 5, Richardson 6, Johnson 3, Eldridge 4, Vandello 2)

Steals: 9 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1, Fortes 2, Johnson 3, Vandello 1, Dyer 1)

Florida State	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Thornton, f	27	8-12	1-2	3-3	1-5	1	2	20
Echefe, f	16	1-3	0-0	0-1	0-0	0	2	2
Swann, g	24	5-9	2-3	2-3	2-4	0	2	14
Douglas, g	30	3-9	0-1	1-2	0-5	5	1	7
Rich, g	32	5-9	0-2	1-1	1-6	1	3	11
Mims	17	2-3	1-2	2-2	2-3	1	0	7
Allen	26	2-2	1-1	1-2	0-4	2	1	6
Breedon	11	0-4	0-2	2-2	0-1	1	0	2
Reid	17	2-2	0-0	0-0	3-3	1	2	4
Totals	200	28-53	5-13	12-16	11-35	12	13	73

Team Pct.: FG – .528; FT – .750

Blocks: 4 (Echefe 1, Rich 1, Allen 2)

Turnovers: 27 (Thornton 5, Echefe 3, Swann 5, Douglas 4, Rich 3, Mims 4, Allen 1, Breedon 1, Reid 1)

Steals: 8 (Thornton 4, Rich 2, Allen 1, Reid 1)

Officials: Mike Sanzere, Gerry Pollard, Don Daily

Attendance: 6,897

Halftime Score: Florida State 31, ILLINOIS STATE 24



GAME 3

Dilligard, Richardson Lead 'Birds to Victory

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The inside and outside combination of Illinois State's Greg Dilligard and Boo Richardson was too much for McNeese State as the Redbirds notched their first win of the season with a 67-50 win over the Cowboys in the third and final day of the Colonial Classic at the Donald L. Tucker Center.

Richardson paced the Redbirds (1-2) with a game-high 23 points, while Dilligard collected 20 points. The victory was the first for ISU away from Redbird Arena in its last 18 tries. The last Redbird victory away from Normal occurred on Feb. 19, 2005, when ISU topped Wisconsin-Green Bay 79-69 in ESPN BracketBusters.

Illinois State took the lead 9-7 at the 15:20 mark on an Anthony Slack lay up and never relinquished the lead. Over the next seven minutes, ISU went on a 14-3 run, which included six points by Dilligard, to give the 'Birds a 23-10 with 8:30 left in the first half. The Redbirds increased their lead to 16 points and took a 36-20 advantage into the locker room led by Dilligard's 11 first-half points.

In the second half, the Redbirds could never fully put McNeese State (0-3) away, but the Cowboys were unable to get any closer than 10 points. Both times McNeese State closed the gap to 10 points, the Redbirds responded including a 9-0 run in the game's final three minutes.

ILLINOIS STATE 67, McNeese State 50
November 14, 2006 • Donald L. Tucker Center

McNeese St.	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Wardell, f	28	3-9	0-0	4-4	1-5	1	3	10
Bradley, g	38	6-10	0-0	3-8	2-3	0	3	15
Aaron, g	37	5-12	1-4	1-2	1-5	3	1	12
Ford, g	34	2-11	1-4	4-4	1-7	2	1	9
Pichon, g	24	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-3	2	2	2
Lawrence	26	1-3	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	2
Penn	8	0-2	0-0	0-1	1-2	0	0	0
Barnhill	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	2	0
Totals	200	18-48	2-10	12-19	9-27	9	13	50

Team Pct.: FG – .375; FT – .632
Blocks: 6 (Bradley 2, Lawrence 1, Penn 3)
Turnovers: 17 (Wardell 4, Bradley 2, Aaron 3, Ford 4, Pichon 4)
Steals: 9 (Wardell 1, Bradley 4, Aaron 1, Ford 1, Pichon 2)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	23	3-5	0-1	1-2	4-8	0	4	7
Dilligard, f	32	9-14	0-0	2-3	5-5	3	4	20
Fortes, g	24	2-6	1-4	2-2	0-3	2	1	7
Richardson, g	36	8-12	3-5	4-5	1-3	7	1	23
Johnson, g	35	1-11	1-8	0-0	2-3	2	1	3
Eldridge	20	1-6	1-4	0-0	1-5	0	1	3
Moor	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Hill	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Vandello	19	1-3	0-0	0-0	2-4	1	4	2
Dyer	5	1-3	0-0	0-0	1-3	0	1	2
Holtz	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Carlwell	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	26-60	6-22	9-12	18-40	15	17	67

Team Pct.: FG – .433; FT – .750
Blocks: 4 (Slack 4)
Turnovers: 16 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1, Fortes 1, Richardson 2, Johnson 3, Eldridge 1, Moor 2, Vandello 2, Dyer 3)
Steals: 6 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1, Fortes 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 2)

Officials: Gerry Pollard, Dan Stryfeler, Don Daily
Attendance: 6,780
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 36, McNeese State 20

GAME 4

Redbirds Convincing in Home Opener

NORMAL, Ill. – Illinois State's Dom Johnson led three Redbirds in double figures with 16 points, but it was the ISU defense that got the best of Cal State Northridge in a 66-44 nonconference win at Redbird Arena.

The Matador offense was stifled as the Redbirds held CSUN to a Redbird Arena low 25.9 percent from the field. CSUN also converted 14 field goals, tying the facility low.

The Matadors jumped out to a quick 2-0 lead when Calvin Chitwood threw down a fast-break dunk on the game's opening play. However, the Redbirds quickly answered on a Boo Richardson three-pointer that opened up a 10-0 run to put the 'Birds up 10-2. Thomas Shewmake then converted on a three-point play for CSUN and ended the ISU run, cutting the lead to 10-5 with 16:03 left in the first half.

ISU continued to score at will, going on a 21-7 run that spanned nearly nine minutes to widen the lead to 31-12. Johnson scored 10 points in the second run, including two baskets from beyond the arc. Jayme Miller's jumper stopped the run for the Matadors and cut the lead to 31-14 and a free throw by Jason Hill then made the score 31-15 at the 2:52 mark.

ILLINOIS STATE 66, Cal State Northridge 44
November 20, 2006 • Redbird Arena

CS Northridge	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Heard, f	20	0-4	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	2	0
Chitwood, f	28	6-14	2-5	0-0	2-3	0	1	14
Shewmake, c	15	1-7	0-1	1-1	2-8	0	2	3
Haynes, g	15	0-3	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	2	0
Hill, g	16	1-2	0-1	1-2	0-1	3	4	3
Peters	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	0
Noblitt	14	0-6	0-4	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Miller	17	3-5	0-0	4-7	2-2	0	5	10
Tyson	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Colston	16	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	2	0
Jones	21	1-5	0-1	4-6	3-6	0	2	6
McCrary	11	1-2	0-1	3-3	0-3	0	0	5
Powers	10	1-4	0-0	0-	3-5	0	1	2
Everage	4	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	1	1
Waggenger	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-4	0	0	0
Totals	200	14-54	2-14	14-21	14-38	8	24	44

Team Pct.: FG – .259; FT – .667
Blocks: 1 (Jones 1)
Turnovers: 23 (Heard 1, Chitwood 2, Shewmake 3, Hill 3, Peters 4, Noblitt 2, Miller 3, Colston 3, Jones 1, McCrary 1)
Steals: 9 (Heard 1, Chitwood 1, Haynes 1, Hill 2, Noblitt 1, Miller 1, Colston 1, Powers 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	28	5-11	0-1	2-5	2-7	1	1	12
Dilligard, f	24	3-4	0-0	0-2	0-4	3	4	6
Fortes, g	25	0-3	0-1	2-2	1-4	1	2	2
Richardson, g	30	4-7	1-3	6-7	1-2	8	2	15
Johnson, g	27	5-9	4-7	2-2	1-5	1	2	16
Eldridge	19	0-5	0-3	1-2	1-4	0	0	1
Moor	3	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Hill	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	2	0
Vandello	12	1-2	0-0	2-2	2-3	0	2	4
Dyer	16	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-4	0	3	0
Holtz	9	3-6	3-6	0-0	0-1	0	1	9
Carlwell	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Totals	200	21-51	8-24	16-24	10-37	14	20	66

Team Pct.: FG – .412; FT – .667
Blocks: 7 (Slack 1, Dilligard 4, Dyer 2)
Turnovers: 18 (Slack 3, Fortes 2, Richardson 5, Johnson 4, Eldridge 1, Vandello 2, Dyer 1)
Steals: 12 (Slack 5, Fortes 3, Johnson 2, Vandello 1, Dyer 1)

Officials: John Higgins, David Warfel, Mark Mayhood
Attendance: 4,699
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 36, CS Northridge 16

GAME 5

'Birds Add to Valley's Big Weekend; Win at St. John's

QUEENS, N.Y. – The offensive play of point guard Boo Richardson and the defensive effort of Roberto Fortes paved the way as the Illinois State men's basketball team earned a precious road victory, the Redbirds' first in 16 games, with a 78-65 victory over St. John's at Carnesecca Arena.

The road win was the first by ISU since posting a 79-69 win at Wisconsin-Green Bay as part of BracketBusters Saturday.

St. John's took its only lead of the game at 2-0, but the Redbirds claimed a 9-4 lead after single baskets by four of the five starters. With ISU up 16-13 at the 13:45 mark, the Redbirds went on a 15-3 run, which included a pair of three-pointers by Osiris Eldridge, and took a 31-16 lead with 7:57 on the clock. St. John's responded with a 9-2 spurt and closed the gap to 33-25 with 4:48 left. The two teams traded baskets the rest of the half and the Redbirds took a 41-31 lead into the locker room.

The Redbirds increased their lead to 15 points at 50-35, thanks to a pair of baskets by Richardson. With Illinois State leading 61-49 and 9:42 left in the game, the Red Storm made their final run. St. John's used a 9-1 run over the next three minutes to close the gap to 62-58. But, Dom Johnson hit two of three free throws after being fouled on a 3-point try and Richardson added a basket to put the lead back to 66-58.

After a pair of free throws by Daryll Hill, Fortes sank a big three-pointer and Greg Dilligard added five straight points as the Redbirds regained control with a 74-61 advantage. ISU hit 4-of-8 free throws down the stretch to secure the win.

ILLINOIS STATE 78, St. John's 65
November 25, 2006 • Carnesecca Arena

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	29	3-7	0-1	4-7	1-7	1	2	10
Dilligard, f	33	8-15	0-0	1-5	7-11	4	4	17
Fortes, g	27	3-10	1-6	6-8	2-7	1	3	13
Richardson, g	31	5-10	3-8	5-6	1-3	4	3	18
Johnson, g	37	2-7	1-5	2-3	0-0	2	2	7
Eldridge	17	2-5	2-3	2-2	1-2	2	1	8
Vandello	13	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	2	1	0
Dyer	6	1-2	1-2	2-2	0-0	0	2	5
Carlwell	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
Totals	200	24-56	8-25	22-33	16-35	16	19	78

Team Pct.: FG – .429; FT – .667
Blocks: 2 (Slack 1, Dilligard 1)
Turnovers: 17 (Slack 1, Dilligard 3, Fortes 1, Richardson 5, Johnson 3, Eldridge 2, Vandello 2)
Steals: 8 (Dilligard 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 3, Eldridge 1, Vandello 1)

St. John's	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Mason, f	32	5-10	0-1	2-2	1-3	1	3	12
Hamilton, f	29	5-13	1-2	0-0	1-9	2	4	11
Spears, c	10	1-2	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	3	2
Lawrence, g	23	2-3	1-1	0-0	0-1	3	3	5
Patterson, g	30	3-8	0-3	2-2	0-3	1	4	8
Calhoun	21	2-3	0-1	2-3	0-3	0	2	6
Hill	25	4-8	0-0	4-8	1-1	3	2	12
Wright	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Jasiulionis	19	3-3	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	1	6
Torres	4	1-2	0-0	1-1	0-0	0	0	3
Totals	200	26-52	2-8	11-16	8-29	10	22	65

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .688
Blocks: 5 (Hamilton 2, Calhoun 1, Jasiulionis 2)
Turnovers: 22 (Mason 2, Hamilton 4, Spears 4, Lawrence 4, Patterson 2, Calhoun 2, Hill 3, Jasiulionis 1)
Steals: 3 (Patterson 1, Hill 2)

Officials: John Higgins, Steve Skiles, Tom Clark
Attendance: 4,038
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 41, St. John's 31

GAME 6
Slack, Dilligard Lead 'Birds Past Sacramento St., 86-69

NORMAL, Ill. – The Illinois State men's basketball team was dominate on the interior as junior-transfer Anthony Slack recorded his first career double-double with a career-high 21 points and 10 rebounds and senior Greg Dilligard recorded his second-consecutive double-double (11 points, 10 rebounds) for the first time in his career as Illinois State defeated Sacramento State 86-69 Wednesday night at Redbird Arena.

Slack and Dilligard were just two of five Redbirds to score in double figures as the team shot a season-high 61 percent from the field, including 7-of-15 from the three-point stripe. Senior Roberto Fortes was steady, scoring 11 points, while sophomore Brandon Holtz came off the bench to contribute 10 points. Boo Richardson reached double figures in scoring for the fifth time this season with 12 points and tied his career-high with eight assists.

The Hornets proved to be no match for the 'Birds on the inside, as ISU scored 50 points in the paint. The Redbirds also out-rebounded CSUS, 37-29, and notched six blocked shots, three coming from Slack.

The Hornets jumped out to an early 11-5 with 15:20 left in the half thanks in large part to six early turnovers by the Redbirds. The 'Birds regained their composure and went on a 15-4 run, capped by a three pointer by Fortes that gave the 'Redbirds a 20-15 lead at the 9:22 mark.

In the second half, Slack and Richardson proved to be too much for CSUS to overcome, as the two Redbird newcomers combined to score 27 of the team's 47 points in the second half. Slack was a force inside scoring 17 points, including a high-rising dunk from sophomore Mike Vandello that brought the crowd to its feet with 14: 52 left in the game.

ILLINOIS STATE 86, Sacramento State 69
November 29, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Sacramento St.	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Bausley, f	24	5-9	3-4	0-2	1-1	1	5	13
Alamo, c	26	7-8	0-0	2-2	3-6	0	4	16
Hargrave, g	36	4-12	1-4	0-0	0-2	5	2	9
Adams, g	24	4-6	0-0	1-3	0-4	2	3	9
Leath, g	32	4-18	2-8	2-2	2-2	1	1	12
Harrison	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Thomas	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Young	13	0-3	0-0	0-0	0-1	3	0	0
Williams	13	3-6	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	3	6
Davis	10	1-1	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	2	2
Roberts	16	1-1	0-0	0-0	1-4	0	1	2
Totals	200	29-65	6-16	5-9	13-29	12	21	69

Team Pct.: FG – .446; FT – .556

Blocks: 1 (Young 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Bausley 3, Alamo 3, Hargrave 6, Adams 3, Young 1, Williams 1, Davis 1)

Steals: 15 (Bausley 2, Alamo 1, Hargrave 8, Adams 1, Leath 1, Young 1, Davis 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	27	9-10	0-0	3-4	2-10	1	3	21
Dilligard, f	24	5-6	0-0	1-5	5-10	4	4	11
Fortes, g	32	4-8	3-6	0-0	0-0	3	0	11
Richardson, g	27	4-8	2-2	2-3	0-3	8	3	12
Johnson, g	34	2-5	0-2	4-4	0-2	4	1	8
Eldridge	6	1-3	0-0	1-2	1-1	0	1	3
Moor	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	23	4-7	0-0	0-0	3-8	4	1	8
Dyer	5	1-2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	2
Holtz	19	4-7	2-5	0-1	1-3	1	2	10
Carlwell	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	34-56	7-15	11-19	12-37	26	15	86

Team Pct.: FG – .607; FT – .579

Blocks: 6 (Slack 3, Dilligard 1, Johnson 1, Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 20 (Slack 3, Dilligard 1, Fortes 4, Richardson 5, Johnson 3, Eldridge 1, Vandello 1, Dyer 1, Holtz 1)

Steals: 7 (Slack 1, Fortes 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 2, Holtz 1)

Officials: Dave Draucker, Terry Oglesby, Dan Dorian
Attendance: 5,417

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 39, Sacramento State 28

GAME 7
Record Three-Point Shooting Leads 'Birds Past UTA

NORMAL, Ill. – The Illinois State men's basketball team was on fire from the perimeter hitting a Redbird Arena record with 14 three-pointers, led by freshman Osiris Eldridge's four as part of his career-high 14 points off the bench in the Redbirds' 86-61 victory over UT-Arlington Saturday night. Eldridge wasn't the only story off the bench as junior Levi Dyer, also in reserve, tied his career-high with 17 points on 6-of-7 shooting, including 3-of-4 from beyond the arc.

Eldridge and Dyer led a group of five Redbirds who scored in double figures as the team shot 53 percent from the field, including 14-of-27 from the three-point stripe. Senior Roberto Fortes and junior Dom Johnson both scored 13 points with three treys each, while junior-transfer Anthony Slack chipped in 10 points along with three rebounds and three blocks.

Along with the record-setting three-point shooting, the Redbird defense also came through with a tremendous effort, forcing 27 turnovers which resulted in 32 points.

The victory improved the 'Birds' record to 5-2 on the season. The win was the team's fifth straight, the longest streak in the Porter Moser era. The loss dropped the Mavericks to 3-3, despite the efforts of sophomore Anthony Vereen, who scored 17 points and grabbed four rebounds.

ILLINOIS STATE 86, UT-Arlington 61
December 2, 2006 • Redbird Arena

UT-Arlington	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Griffin, f	22	3-3	0-0	0-0	2-4	1	2	6
Vereen, f	26	2-6	1-3	12-14	3-4	2	3	17
Posey, f	22	1-2	0-0	0-0	2-6	0	2	2
Guignard, g	28	1-7	1-5	0-0	0-1	2	0	3
Epps, g	28	2-8	0-3	0-0	0-1	2	3	4
Henry	14	1-3	1-3	0-0	2-4	0	1	3
Hunter	10	1-6	0-0	0-0	1-1	1	3	2
Read	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-4	0	3	2
Long	23	6-11	3-6	2-2	1-2	2	2	17
Moffitt	14	2-5	1-2	0-0	1-4	1	1	5
Dewalt	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	20-52	7-22	14-16	13-34	11	20	61

Team Pct.: FG – .385; FT – .875

Blocks: 2 (Griffin 1, Posey 1)

Turnovers: 27 (Griffin 6, Vereen 2, Posey 2, Guignard 6, Epps 6, Henry 1, Hunter 2, Long 2)

Steals: 7 (Griffin 1, Guignard 2, Epps 2, Henry 1, Long 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	26	4-8	0-0	2-2	2-3	2	2	10
Dilligard, f	26	3-4	0-0	0-0	1-3	3	2	6
Fortes, g	28	5-10	3-6	0-0	1-3	4	1	13
Richardson, g	31	2-3	1-2	2-4	0-1	7	1	7
Johnson, g	24	4-8	3-6	2-2	0-3	3	0	13
Eldridge	12	5-9	4-7	0-0	0-2	2	0	14
Moor	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Hill	5	1-3	0-0	2-2	1-2	1	0	4
Vandello	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Dyer	16	6-7	3-4	2-2	0-4	1	2	17
Holtz	14	0-2	0-2	1-2	0-1	1	1	1
Carlwell	6	0-2	0-0	1-2	0-2	1	2	1
Totals	200	30-57	14-27	12-16	8-28	25	14	86

Team Pct.: FG – .526; FT – .750

Blocks: 5 (Slack 3, Dilligard 1, Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 16 (Slack 3, Dilligard 2, Fortes 1, Richardson 5, Moor 2, Hill 1, Vandello 2)

Steals: 11 (Slack 3, Dilligard 1, Fortes 2, Richardson 2, Moor 1, Dyer 2)

Officials: Mike Litzelfelner, Kerry Campbell, Robert Burris
Attendance: 5,941

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 36, UT-Arlington 29

GAME 8
Redbirds Win Sixth Straight, Drop Miami 64-40

NORMAL, Ill. – Allowing just 13 second-half points, a new Redbird Arena low, the fast-paced, second-half offensive effort by the duo of Greg Dilligard and Anthony Slack lifted the Illinois State men's basketball team over Miami (Ohio), 64-40, Tuesday night at Redbird Arena. Dilligard finished with 11 points and 10 rebounds, while Slack added 15 points and 10 boards for the 'Birds.

With the game knotted at 30, just over two minutes into the second half, Illinois State used a 34-10 run to close out the game. The story of the second half unfolded in the first eight minutes of the final period, as the Redbirds erupted for a 10 unanswered points, taking a 40-30 lead at the 12:42 mark. Sparked by a blocked shot by Slack, the 'Birds ran the length of the floor where Boo Richardson threw up an alley-oop that Slack slammed home on the fast break. A foul was called on the play and Slack drained his shot from the charity stripe, finishing the traditional three-point play. Dilligard tossed in a layup and Osiris Eldridge put down a dunk of his own, adding to the excitement in the stretch.

Miami broke the streak with 12:21 left in the game, with Monty St. Clair connecting on a layup. But the Redbirds answered with back-to-back three pointers from Richardson and Eldridge, extending their lead to 46-32. Richardson ended the game with 13 points and four assists.

The 'Birds used a 18-8 run in the game's final nine minutes to secure the win, while holding the RedHawks to just 13 second-half points.

ILLINOIS STATE 64, Miami (Ohio) 40
December 5, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Miami (Ohio)	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Peavy, f	34	4-9	1-2	1-5	0-6	1	5	10
T. Pollitz, f	28	8-17	0-0	1-2	1-3	0	2	17
St. Clair, c	15	1-2	0-1	0-1	1-5	1	1	2
Moosmann, g	27	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-0	2	2	0
Bramos, g	34	3-9	1-4	0-0	2-6	1	1	7
Penno	17	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-2	1	1	0
Dierkers	22	1-2	0-1	0-0	0-5	3	4	2
Richburg	8	0-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	2	0
E. Pollitz	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Ballard	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Fletcher	4	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	2
Totals	200	18-47	2-13	2-8	5-31	11	19	40

Team Pct.: FG – .383; FT – .250

Blocks: 3 (T. Pollitz 1, Dierkers 1, Fletcher 1)

Turnovers: 23 (Peavy 4, T. Pollitz 3, St. Clair 1, Moosmann 4, Bramos 4, Dierkers 1, Richburg 2, E. Pollitz 4)

Steals: 10 (Peavy 1, T. Pollitz 2, St. Clair 2, Bramos 1, Dierkers 3, E. Pollitz 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	33	4-9	0-1	7-10	2-10	2	2	15
Dilligard, f	31	5-7	0-0	1-3	5-10	0	1	11
Fortes, g	23	0-3	0-3	2-2	0-0	2	3	2
Richardson, g	35	4-9	1-2	4-7	0-4	4	1	13
Johnson, g	34	3-9	3-8	0-0	0-2	3	3	9
Eldridge	21	2-5	1-3	0-0	0-2	1	2	5
Moor	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Dyer	15	4-6	1-1	0-0	1-4	1	0	9
Holtz	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Carlwell	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	0
Totals	200	22-49	6-18	14-22	8-35	13	12	64

Team Pct.: FG – .449; FT – .636

Blocks: 2 (Slack 2)

Turnovers: 15 (Slack 3, Dilligard 3, Fortes 2, Richardson 5, Johnson 1, Eldridge 1)

Steals: 10 (Slack 4, Dilligard 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 3, Eldridge 1)

Officials: Steve Skiles, Terry Anderson, Todd Williams

Attendance: 5,735

Halftime Score: Miami (Ohio) 27, ILLINOIS STATE 25



GAME 9

Second Half Snowballs for Redbirds in Loss

EVANSVILLE, Ind. – For the eighth straight season, Illinois State failed to win its Missouri Valley Conference opener as the Redbirds fell 69-41, at Evansville on Saturday at Roberts Stadium.

Evansville opened the second half with a 19-2 run, which included an Illinois State seven-minute scoring drought. The Redbirds were outscored 41-14 in the second half.

ISU opened the game with a 15-8 run which included eight points by Dom Johnson. The Aces responded with a 14-0 run to take a 22-15 advantage with 10 minutes left in the first frame. During the spurt, the Redbirds were held scoreless for five minutes.

However, the Redbirds were able to close the gap before the intermission as Evansville was scoreless from the floor for over six minutes and the Aces held a 28-27 lead at the half.

Evansville 69, ILLINOIS STATE 41
December 9, 2006 • Roberts Stadium

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	18	2-7	0-0	0-0	2-6	0	4	4
Dilligard, f	21	3-5	0-0	0-2	4-9	2	4	6
Fortes, g	21	1-6	1-4	0-0	1-2	2	4	3
Richardson, g	35	0-11	0-5	2-3	0-1	2	1	2
Johnson, g	32	4-10	3-7	0-0	0-1	1	1	11
Eldridge	21	3-8	3-6	0-0	2-7	0	2	9
Moor	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	12	1-1	0-0	2-2	2-3	1	2	4
Dyer	17	0-1	0-1	2-4	2-2	0	0	2
Holtz	8	0-3	0-3	0-0	0-2	1	0	0
Carlwell	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	14-52	7-26	6-11	15-36	9	18	41

Team Pct.: FG – .269; FT – .545
Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 1, Carlwell 1)
Turnovers: 17 (Slack 2, Dilligard 6, Fortes 1, Richardson 5, Vandello 2, Carlwell 1)
Steals: 6 (Slack 1, Richardson 2, Johnson 1, Eldridge 1, Vandello 1)

Evansville	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Cousnard, f	9	0-2	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	0	0
Webster, f	30	8-15	1-2	4-6	0-3	3	2	21
Strickland, c	29	4-9	0-0	4-6	1-5	0	2	12
Anslinger, g	35	3-4	2-3	0-0	0-3	3	1	8
Holsinger, g	26	2-4	1-2	0-0	1-6	5	3	5
Stalbergs	18	2-3	2-2	0-0	1-7	2	3	6
Ely	24	5-6	0-0	0-2	0-1	2	1	10
Morrow	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Gomez	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Wargel	1	0-1	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Gregory	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Granger	19	2-4	2-2	0-0	0-3	0	1	6
Petty	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Totals	200	26-49	8-12	9-16	6-32	16	13	69

Team Pct.: FG – .531; FT – .563
Blocks: 4 (Strickland 2, Holsinger 1, Granger 1)
Turnovers: 11 (Cousnard 1, Webster 3, Strickland 2, Anslinger 4, Ely 1)
Steals: 4 (Strickland 2, Anslinger 1, Wargel 1)

Officials: Frank Spencer, Kipp Kissinger, Terry Oglesby
Attendance: 5,806
Halftime Score: Evansville 28, ILLINOIS STATE 27

GAME 10

Redbird Rally Falls Short at Shots Don't Fall

KALAMAZOO, Mich. – Illinois State had an opportunity to tie Saturday's non-conference game at Western Michigan three times in the game's final minute and a half, but Boo Richardson, Dom Johnson and Roberto Fortes each missed three-point attempts as the Redbirds fell 65-57 at University Arena.

The Broncos took the lead at the 2:10 mark in the first half and never looked back. WMU led by as many as 11 points, with a 52-41 advantage at the 7:37 mark, but a 10-2 Redbird run, including five points by Greg Dilligard, closed the gap to 54-51 with 5:44 on the clock.

WMU stretched the lead back to seven points at 58-51, however, again, the Redbirds got to within three points after a Fortes' trey at the 2:46 mark to make the score 60-57. With 1:32 left in the contest, Richardson shot the potential tying three, but it bounced off the front of the iron and Dilligard hauled in the offensive rebound. Dilligard kicked the ball out to Johnson, who also missed from three, but again Dilligard grabbed the carom. Fortes took ISU's third-straight shot from three, but it also was off the mark.

The first half was close throughout with four lead changes and neither team owning a bigger lead than six points. Richardson sank all three free throws after being fouled a three-point attempt and tied the score at 15-15. The game was tied for the fifth time at 24-24, but WMU scored the final three points of the half to take a 27-24 lead at the intermission.

Western Michigan 65, ILLINOIS STATE 57
December 16, 2006 • University Arena

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	22	4-5	0-0	1-2	1-2	0	5S9	
Dilligard, f	21	4-7	0-0	1-1	5-7	3	4	9
Fortes, g	29	6-11	2-7	1-1	0-4	1	3	15
Richardson, g	39	1-9	1-7	3-4	1-2	6	2	6
Johnson, g	35	2-11	1-7	0-0	0-2	3	1	5
Eldridge	18	2-5	0-2	0-0	1-2	1	0	4
Vandello	11	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	1	0
Dyer	16	3-9	1-5	0-1	0-2	0	2	7
Carlwell	9	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	3	2
Totals	200	23-59	5-28	6-9	11-27	14	21	57

Team Pct.: FG – .390; FT – .667
Blocks: 3 (Slack 2, Dyer 1)
Turnovers: 9 (Dilligard 1, Fortes 3, Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Eldridge 1, Dyer 1, Carlwell 1)
Steals: 3 (Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Dyer 1)

W. Michigan	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Hershberger, f	30	3-7	0-2	2-3	4-7	2	4	8
Reitz, f	33	6-11	0-0	5-8	7-18	0	1	17
Redell, g	16	1-3	0-2	2-2	0-0	2	4	4
Kool, g	17	1-6	1-4	4-4	0-2	2	0	7
Gary, g	31	2-7	1-2	0-0	0-4	3	3	5
Fracalossi	19	2-3	0-0	3-6	1-1	1	1	7
Drews	8	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Ricks	29	4-9	1-2	0-0	0-2	2	1	9
Lawson	7	0-2	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0	0
Cloutier	10	2-2	2-2	2-2	0-2	0	2	8
Totals	200	21-51	5-14	18-25	16-42	12	16	65

Team Pct.: FG – .412; FT – .720
Blocks: 3 (Gary 2, Lawson 1)
Turnovers: 14 (Hershberger 4, Reitz 2, Redell 3, Gary 2, Fractalossi 1, Drews 1, Ricks 1)
Steals: 3 (Reitz 1, Fractalossi 2)

Officials: Tim Hutchinson, Rob Kruger, Dave Cronin
Attendance: 3,091
Halftime Score: Western Michigan 27, ILLINOIS STATE 24

GAME 11

Redbirds Get Back on Track, Defeat Lewis 85-66

NORMAL, Ill. – Junior Boo Richardson recorded his first career double-double with 20 points and 11 assists and junior Anthony Slack posted a double-digit scoring effort for the sixth time this season with a career-high 22 points on an 8-for-9 shooting effort, as the pair led the Illinois State men's basketball team to a 85-66 win over Lewis Tuesday night at Redbird Arena.

The first half began with both teams not encountering any problems scoring on the offensive end, as the Redbirds and Flyers traded baskets until ISU was able to pull ahead on a 22-7 run capped off by a dunk from Richardson to Slack, who slammed it down. Slack led the 'Birds during the stretch that lasted 7:46, as he scored eight points during the run that put the Redbirds ahead 28-13 with 11:46 remaining.

The 'Birds led by as many as 19 when Richardson drove to the basket, spun around a Flyer defender and made a quick pass to Dilligard who converted an uncontested layup to make the score 44-25 with 3:26 left to play in the half. But Lewis was able to cut into the lead with a 11-3 scoring run to close out the half, with Illinois State leading Lewis 47-36 at intermission.

ILLINOIS STATE 85, Lewis 66
December 19, 2006 • Redbird Arena

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Lewis	26	3-4	0-0	2-2	1-5	0	4	8
Bolt, f	26	3-4	0-0	2-2	1-5	0	4	8
Warfield, f	31	3-5	1-2	0-0	0-3	2	3	7
Marino, g	28	4-7	2-2	0-0	0-2	4	3	10
Hunter, g	19	1-4	1-4	0-0	0-2	4	1	3
Dagans, g	34	5-15	4-7	11-11	2-5	2	1	25
Bogue	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	0
Murdock	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	2	2	0
Sharp	9	2-2	2-2	0-0	0-0	0	2	6
Donald	16	1-2	1-1	0-2	0-4	2	4	3
Alexander	15	2-2	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	4	4
Jones	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	1	0
Lewis	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Sellers	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	21-42	11-18	13-15	5-28	18	25	66

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .867
Blocks: 2 (Warfield 1, Hunter 1)
Turnovers: 28 (Bolt 5, Warfield 6, Marino 6, Hunter 1, Dagans 2, Bogue 1, Sharp 1, Donald 3, Alexander 2, Jones 1)
Steals: 7 (Warfield 1, Dagans 2, Sharp 2, Donald 1, Alexander 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	17	8-9	0-0	6-7	2-4	1	5	22
Dilligard, f	22	5-8	0-0	3-6	0-1	1	4	13
Fortes, g	24	1-4	1-3	0-1	0-0	3	2	3
Richardson, g	32	8-11	3-5	1-4	0-4	11	1	20
Johnson, g	31	3-5	3-5	2-2	0-2	5	1	11
Eldridge	17	3-4	0-1	0-3	0-1	1	1	6
Moor	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	7	1-4	0-0	2-2	2-2	0	0	4
Vandello	13	0-2	0-0	0-0	3-5	0	2	0
Dyer	18	2-7	0-3	2-2	0-2	1	3	6
Holtz	7	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Carlwell	9	0-2	0-0	0-2	1-3	0	1	0
Totals	200	31-58	7-19	16-29	13-30	23	20	85

Team Pct.: FG – .534; FT – .552
Blocks: 1 (Carlwell 1)
Turnovers: 12 (Dilligard 2, Fortes 2, Richardson 2, Johnson 2, Eldridge 1, Dyer 2, Carlwell 1)
Steals: 14 (Slack 2, Dilligard 2, Fortes 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 2, Eldridge 2, Vandello 1, Dyer 3)

Officials: Mark Mayhood, Cory Burkle, Roland Simmons
Attendance: 3,691
Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 47, Lewis 36

GAME 12
Eldridge, Redbirds Top UIC, 77-69

CHICAGO – Freshman Osiris Eldridge returned to his hometown of Chicago and led Illinois State to a 77-69 non-conference victory over Illinois-Chicago at the UIC Pavilion on Saturday afternoon. Eldridge tossed in a career-high 19 points and added six rebounds in the victory.

ISU opened up the second half by sinking its first four treys, including a pair by Levi Dyer as the Redbirds built a 48-38 lead with 16:50 left in the contest. UIC responded with a 7-0 spurt, but then ISU's Eldridge went on a run of his own. With the Redbirds leading 48-45, Eldridge rattled off eight straight points and added a pair of rebounds to give ISU a 56-45 lead with 11:36 left.

Again the Flames bounced back with a 13-3 run to cut the ISU lead to 60-58 with 7:02 left. UIC took its first lead since the 16:04 mark of the first half when Karl White made a three-pointer with 4:52 on the clock at 63-62. The lead was short-lived as Dom Johnson and Anthony Slack added a pair of field goals to give the 'Birds a 66-63 lead.

UIC's Othys Jeffers and Daniel Zoric each added a pair of buckets to give the Flames a 67-66 lead, but the Redbirds closed the game with a 11-2 run thanks to six points by Eldridge and five tallies from Boo Richardson.

ILLINOIS STATE 77, Illinois-Chicago 69
December 23, 2006 • UIC Pavilion

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	27	4-8	0-0	1-2	3-7	2	2	9
Dyer, c	21	4-9	2-6	0-0	1-3	1	4	10
Fortes, g	25	2-6	1-4	0-0	0-1	5	1	5
Johnson, g	38	5-13	4-9	0-0	0-2	2	1	14
Richardson, g	37	4-9	1-5	8-11	0-7	7	3	17
Eldridge	20	6-10	3-4	4-4	4-6	0	2	19
Slack	26	1-4	0-0	1-2	3-8	0	1	3
Carlwell	6	0-1	0-0	0-2	0-3	0	0	0
Totals	200	14-52	7-26	6-11	15-36	9	18	41

Team Pct.: FG – .433; FT – .667

Blocks: 3 (Dilligard 2, Johnson 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Dilligard 1, Dyer 2, Richardson 5, Eldridge 1, Slack 4)

Steals: 8 (Fortes 1, Johnson 1, Richardson 1, Eldridge 2, Slack 3)

Illinois-Chicago	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Jeffers, f	33	4-9	0-0	2-2	3-10	3	4	10
Stefanov, f	31	4-11	2-5	2-2	1-5	2	4	12
VanderMeer, c	18	2-6	0-0	0-0	2-5	2	1	4
Mayo, g	17	3-4	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	1	7
Stewart, g	27	2-5	2-4	0-0	0-3	7	1	6
Gray	23	4-8	4-6	2-2	1-2	3	4	14
Bush	8	1-5	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	0	2
White	18	2-5	2-4	0-0	0-0	3	0	6
Zoric	22	4-9	0-0	0-2	1-6	0	3	8
Dailey	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	2-3	0	0	0
Totals	200	26-63	11-22	6-8	12-38	21	18	69

Team Pct.: FG – .413; FT – .750

Blocks: 5 (VanderMeer 4, Zoric 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Jeffers 4, Stefanov 2, VanderMeer 1, Mayo 1, Stewart 5, Gray 2, White 2, Zoric 1)

Steals: 5 (Jeffers 1, Stefanov 2, VanderMeer 1, Gray 1)

Officials: Eugene Crawford, Frank Spencer, Bert Smith
Attendance: 4,827

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 36, Illinois-Chicago 22

GAME 13
Redbirds Fall to In-State Rival Southern Illinois

NORMAL, Ill. – The Illinois State men's basketball team had three players reach double figures in scoring, but it wasn't enough as the Redbirds fell to Southern Illinois, 68-49, in a Missouri Valley Conference game Friday night at Redbird Arena.

The first half began with both Illinois State and Southern Illinois trading early baskets, as Osiris Eldridge hit consecutive three pointers to give the Redbirds an early 8-5 lead with 16:27 remaining. However, the Salukis were able to pull ahead with a 14-2 scoring run, led by Jamaal Tatum's five points, to give SIU the advantage at 19-10 with 8:33 left in the half. The Redbirds trailed the Salukis 27-20 at the break, with Matt Shaw leading all scorers with 10 points.

Southern Illinois opened up the game in the early minutes of the second half by going on a 18-6 run, giving the Salukis their largest lead of the game at 45-26 with 12:14 left. The run was backed by senior Tony Young, who had seven points during the run. The Salukis proved to be too much for the Redbirds to handle, as SIU was able to hold on its lead for the remainder of the second half, courtesy of a 14-7 run to close out the game.

Southern Illinois 68, ILLINOIS STATE 49
December 29, 2006 • Redbird Arena

Southern Illinois	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Falker, f	35	4-8	0-0	2-6	3-17	3	2	10
Shaw, f	27	7-12	2-4	0-0	2-6	2	4	16
Tatum, g	35	4-8	2-4	6-7	0-4	5	1	16
Mullins, g	33	2-4	2-3	2-4	0-1	4	0	8
Young, g	33	5-10	2-6	0-1	0-1	2	2	12
Armstrong	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Green	5	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Clemons	14	0-2	0-2	1-2	0-4	1	0	1
Boyle	17	2-3	0-0	1-2	2-2	0	2	5
Totals	200	24-48	8-20	12-22	9-41	17	11	68

Team Pct.: FG – .500; FT – .545

Blocks: 7 (Falker 4, Boyle 3)

Turnovers: 13 (Falker 4, Shaw 3, Tatum 1, Mullins 1, Young 4)

Steals: 7 (Falker 2, Tatum 2, Young 2, Clemons 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	27	3-10	0-0	0-0	1-5	0	2	6
Dyer, c	24	4-13	2-6	0-3	3-9	1	1	10
Fortes, g	20	0-2	0-2	0-0	0-2	1	3	0
Richardson, g	27	0-5	0-2	0-0	0-0	3	5	0
Johnson, g	38	4-10	2-7	1-2	0-2	3	3	11
Eldridge	26	4-11	2-6	0-0	2-4	0	1	10
Slack	23	3-5	1-1	2-4	3-10	1	2	9
Hill	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	1	1	0
Vandello	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	7	1-3	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	3
Carlwell	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	19-59	8-27	3-9	11-34	10	18	49

Team Pct.: FG – .322; FT – .333

Blocks: 1 (Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 11 (Fortes 2, Richardson 6, Johnson 2, Eldridge 1)

Steals: 5 (Dilligard 1, Richardson 2, Eldridge 2)

Officials: Steve Welmer, J.D. Collins, John Higgins
Attendance: 6,429

Halftime Score: Southern Illinois 27, ILLINOIS STATE 20

GAME 14
Creighton Shoots Past Redbirds, 79-71

OMAHA, Neb. – Freshman Osiris Eldridge scored a career-high 28 points, thanks to a school-record tying eight three-pointers, but it wasn't enough as Illinois State dropped its third straight Missouri Valley Conference game Monday afternoon against Creighton 79-71, at the Qwest Center OMAHA™. The Jays shot 64.3 percent from the field for the game.

Creighton extended its second-half lead with a 14-5 run to take a 58-44 lead with 10 minutes remaining. The Jays remained in control for the rest of the contest, as the Redbirds weren't able to get any closer than seven points.

Both teams opened the game with the hot-hand offensively. At the first media time out, at the 15:56 mark, the Bluejays held a slim edge at 12-11, with six of ISU's points coming from Eldridge. The game remained tight with six lead changes, but with Creighton leading 20-18 with 8:42 left in the half, the Jays were able to pull away as the Redbirds were held scoreless for four minutes. The Jays fired off 10 straight points, including six by Nick Porter, to take a 30-18 lead with 4:45 on the clock.

Two more Eldridge three-pointers and six straight points by Anthony Slack enabled the Redbirds to close the deficit to 38-30, by the intermission.

Creighton 79, ILLINOIS STATE 71

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ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	27	5-7	0-1	2-4	3-3	0	2	12
Dyer, c	23	6-8	1-3	0-0	0-3	1	5	13
Eldridge, g	29	10-17	8-11	0-0	1-3	0	4	28
Richardson, g	38	2-9	1-3	2-2	1-3	9	1	7
Johnson, g	37	2-10	2-6	0-0	0-0	6	2	6
Fortes	15	0-1	0-1	0-0	1-1	1	2	0
Hill	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Vandello	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Holtz	6	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Dilligard	16	2-4	0-0	1-3	2-2	0	3	5
Carlwell	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	0	0
Totals	200	27-58	12-26	5-9	11-20	17	21	71

Team Pct.: FG – .466; FT – .556

Blocks: 3 (Dyer 1, Eldridge 1, Johnson 1)

Turnovers: 13 (Slack 1, Dyer 3, Eldridge 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 4, Holtz 1, Dilligard 2)

Steals: 8 (Slack 1, Dyer 1, Eldridge 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Holtz 1, Dilligard 1)

Creighton	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Watts, f	29	2-4	0-1	1-2	1-4	1	3	5
Tolliver, c	32	11-11	0-0	1-2	4-9	1	2	23
Miles, g	17	1-4	0-2	2-2	0-2	1	0	4
Porter, g	27	3-6	0-1	7-8	2-8	4	3	13
Funk, g	34	6-10	2-2	5-5	0-2	2	1	19
Hibma	12	0-0	0-0	2-2	1-3	0	0	2
Gakou	8	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	2
Nengsu	19	3-4	2-3	1-1	0-2	0	3	9
Bahe	22	0-2	0-2	2-4	0-0	3	1	2
Totals	200	27-42	4-11	21-26	8-31	12	14	79

Team Pct.: FG – .643; FT – .808

Blocks: 1 (Watts 1)

Turnovers: 18 (Watts 2, Tolliver 1, Miles 2, Porter 3, Funk 2, Hibma 2, Gakou 1, Nengsu 1, Bahe 3, Team 1)

Steals: 8 (Watts 2, Tolliver 2, Miles 3, Funk 1)

Officials: Gerry Pollard, Curtis Shaw, Tom O'Neill
Attendance: 14,869

Halftime Score: Creighton 38, ILLINOIS STATE 30

GAME 15

'Birds Remain Winless in Valley; Fall to Indiana State

NORMAL, Ill. – The Illinois State men's basketball team came into Saturday night's game against Indiana State looking for its first win in Missouri Valley Conference play. However, the Redbirds could only connect on 32.7 percent of their shots and fell to the Sycamores, 54-50, in front of 4,543 fans at Redbird Arena.

Both teams struggled from the field in the first half, with Illinois State shooting just 25 percent from the floor and Indiana State shooting 25.9 percent. The Sycamores held a 5-0 lead until Anthony Slack connected on two free throws with 14:16 left in the half to cut the lead to 5-2. After a three-pointer from Levi Dyer tied the score at 7-7, Greg Dilligard's free throw gave ISU its first lead of the game at 8-7 with 11:25 left in the first half.

From there the teams traded baskets for the rest of the half and the lead changed hands seven times before Indiana State went on an 8-2 run to finish the half and take a 25-20 lead into the locker room at halftime. The 20 points scored by the Redbirds tied a season-low at halftime and the 25 points by the Sycamores were also a season-low for a Redbird opponent.

The Sycamores kept their lead until the 12:10 mark in the second half when Dom Johnson's three-pointer put the 'Birds up 31-30, capping off a 7-0 Illinois State run. Seven lead changes then followed, with Indiana State eventually pulling out to a four-point lead at 44-40. However, Johnson would score five unanswered points to put the Redbirds up 45-44 with just under five minutes to play in the game.

With the score tied at 49-49, a Matt Arnold jumper gave the Sycamores a 51-49 lead with 1:38 left and Indiana State would never relinquish the advantage. Jay Tunnel led the way for the Sycamores with a game-high 13 points while Arnold added nine points and eight rebounds in the win. Dyer and Johnson were both in double figures for the Redbirds, scoring 11 and 10 points, respectively.

Indiana State 54, ILLINOIS STATE 50
January 6, 2007 • Redbird Arena

Indiana State	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Wurtz, f	22	1-3	0-1	1-1	2-7	0	2	3
Tunnell, c	28	3-9	1-2	6-7	2-4	3	2	13
Moore, g	40	1-4	0-1	4-4	2-3	6	2	6
Holmstrom, g	28	2-8	2-5	0-0	0-3	0	3	6
Stinson, g	33	2-11	2-9	2-2	1-4	1	1	8
Arnold	22	4-6	0-0	1-4	2-8	0	3	9
Marshall	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
McCoy	12	1-3	1-1	4-4	2-2	0	2	7
Yelovich	7	1-3	0-2	0-0	0-1	0	1	2
Totals	200	15-47	6-21	18-22	11-35	10	16	54

Team Pct.: FG - .319; FT - .818

Blocks: 0

Turnovers: 14 (Wurtz 3, Tunnell 2, Moore 3, Holmstrom 3, Stinson 3)

Steals: 6 (Moore 4, Stinson 1, Arnold 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Slack, f	20	2-5	0-0	2-3	2-8	0	5	6
Dyer, c	26	3-9	1-5	4-4	2-5	0	4	11
Eldridge, g	32	4-13	1-6	0-0	6-8	1	2	9
Richardson, g	35	0-10	0-4	1-2	2-5	6	3	1
Johnson, g	38	4-11	2-9	0-0	0-2	2	1	10
Fortes	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hill	14	1-2	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	0	4
Vandello	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Dilligard	30	4-5	0-0	1-4	2-10	1	4	9
Totals	200	18-55	4-24	10-15	16-40	10	19	50

Team Pct.: FG - .327; FT - .667

Blocks: 1 (Dilligard 1)

Turnovers: 12 (Slack 2, Dyer 1, Eldridge 4, Richardson 3, Hill 1,

Vandello 1)

Steals: 7 (Dyer 2, Eldridge 2, Richardson 1, Johnson 1, Hill 1)

Officials: Brad Gaston, Dave Draucker, Terry Oglesby

Attendance: 4,543

Halftime Score: Indiana State 25, ILLINOIS STATE 20

GAME 16

Dyer, Eldridge Stun UNI; Birds Pick Up First Valley Win

NORMAL, Ill. – Junior Levi Dyer poured in a career-high 20 points, and freshman Osiris Eldridge tossed in an additional 18, as the pair led the Illinois State men's basketball team to a 67-64 overtime win over Northern Iowa Tuesday night at Redbird Arena. The Missouri Valley Conference victory was the first of the season for the 'Birds, as they downed UNI, who was previously undefeated in Valley play.

Northern Iowa took a 29-25 lead just over two minutes into the second half, scoring on consecutive offensive possessions. But the Redbirds responded with a Greg Dilligard lay up, on a quick pass from Boo Richardson and a fast-break Eldridge lay up to tie the game with 17:07 to play.

Dyer then scored the next eight points for Illinois State, burying two shots from the charity stripe and a pair of three-pointers. The 'Birds led by as many as five in the stretch, 40-35, as the second media time out of the half was called. The Panthers' Coleman tied the game at 43 on a put-back. But Dyer ran the length of the floor and drained his fourth trey of the game from the top of the key to give the Redbirds a 46-43 advantage.

The teams traded buckets for the almost six minutes before Dilligard blocked a lay up on a Northern Iowa fast break at the 1:04 mark as Richardson drove the basket for an open lay up on the ensuing out-of-bounds play to put Illinois State up by one, 57-56. After being fouled with just seconds remaining, Dyer connected on a pair of free throws to give ISU a three-point, 59-56 lead. But a McKowen, running three-pointer at the buzzer sent the game into overtime.

In the extra five-minute period, ISU's Johnson was fouled on a driving lay up that fell with 3:41 left to play. Johnson hit the ensuing free throw, putting the 'Birds up 62-59. Eldridge took over from there, scoring five of the Redbirds' eight points in the overtime to secure the ISU win, 67-64.

ILLINOIS STATE 67, Northern Iowa 64
January 9, 2007 • Redbird Arena

Northern Iowa	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Stout, f	30	3-10	0-2	2-2	1-8	3	4	8
Coleman, c	35	4-8	0-0	4-7	3-7	5	4	12
Josten, g	37	3-7	1-2	2-2	0-0	1	3	9
Brown, g	20	1-4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	2
McKowen, g	39	4-8	2-4	2-2	1-9	4	2	12
Jones	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Ahelebbe	13	0-3	0-2	0-0	0-2	1	0	0
Viet	24	3-7	3-7	0-0	0-0	1	2	9
Koch	18	2-5	0-2	3-4	0-1	0	1	7
Eglseder	7	2-2	0-0	1-2	0-2	0	1	5
Totals	200	22-54	6-20	14-19	5-32	15	18	64

Team Pct.: FG - .407; FT - .737

Blocks: 4 (Stout 1, Coleman 3)

Turnovers: 15 (Stout 3, Coleman 4, Josten 1, Brown 1, McKowen 4, Koch 2)

Steals: 8 (Stout 1, Coleman 3, McKowen 2, Viet 1, Koch 1)

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	28	2-4	0-0	0-0	3-7	1	4	4
Dyer, c	27	6-13	4-5	4-5	0-5	0	3	20
Eldridge, g	33	6-11	1-4	5-6	0-4	3	0	18
Richardson, g	38	2-8	0-4	0-0	0-4	4	2	4
Johnson, g	33	3-6	0-3	11	0-3	4	2	7
Slack	10	1-3	0-0	2-2	0-1	0	0	4
Hill	14	3-4	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	6
Vandello	15	0-2	0-1	1-2	1-3	0	4	1
Holtz	18	1-3	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	1	3
Carlwell	9	0-1	0-0	0-0	1-2	1	1	0
Totals	200	24-55	6-19	13-16	6-36	13	17	67

Team Pct.: FG - .436; FT - .813

Blocks: 2 (Dilligard 1, Dyer 1)

Turnovers: 16 (Dilligard 2, Dyer 1, Eldridge 1, Richardson 1, Johnson 3, Slack 2, Vandello 1, Holtz 4, Carlwell 1)

Steals: 7 (Eldridge 3, Richardson 2, Holtz 2)

Officials: Tom Eades, Eddie Jackson, Ronnie Jones

Attendance: 3,585

Halftime Score: ILLINOIS STATE 25, Northern Iowa 25

GAME 17

Comeback Falls Short for Redbirds, Richardson

DES MOINES, Iowa – Boo Richardson entered Saturday's game with 14 points combined in Missouri Valley Conference action, but Illinois State's junior point guard poured in a career-high 24 points against Drake in the Redbirds' 70-64 loss at the Knapp Center. ISU overcame a 13-point, first-half deficit, but a pair of late turnovers proved costly in the defeat.

The Bulldogs held their five-point lead through the first five minutes of the second half. ISU's Johnson had the opportunity to tie the game at the 12:27 mark with a pair of free throws, but the Redbird junior hit only one as ISU trailed 40-39. Drake used an 8-2 run with five points coming from Grant to take a 48-41 lead at the 10:36 mark.

Again the Redbirds responded with a 9-2 run, thanks to five more points from Richardson, to tie the game at 50-50 with 8:23 left in the game. Dyer gave the Redbirds their first lead of the second half with a basket at the 6:48 mark, but back-to-back lay ups by Aliou Keita and Al Stewart gave the Bulldogs a 57-54 edge with 5:44 on the clock.

Richardson drained his sixth three-pointer of the game at the 5:22 mark to force the fourth tie of the contest at 57-57. Drake's Stewart sank a pair of foul shots and Dyer countered with a basket as the two teams remained tied 59-59 with 3:34 left on the clock. Following a pair of ISU turnovers, Drake took a 63-59 lead on a pair of Ajay Calvin chip shots with 2:14 remaining.

ISU continued to battle down the stretch, but a missed free throw by Anthony Slack, an intentional foul called on Richardson and rushed three-pointer by Osiris Eldridge with 10 seconds remaining were too much to overcome.

Drake 70, ILLINOIS STATE 66
January 13, 2007 • Knapp Center

ILLINOIS STATE	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Dilligard, f	12	1-3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	4	2
Dyer, c	34	6-8	2-3	0-1	3-13	1	2	14
Eldridge, g	31	1-8	0-2	2-3	2-7	1	0	4
Richardson, g	39	8-13	6-9	2-2	0-2	3	5	24
Johnson, g	32	1-6	1-5	1-2	2-2	5	3	4
Fortes	3	0-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Slack	23	6-7	0-0	0-2	5-7	1	4	12
Hill	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Vandello	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Holtz	13	2-6	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	2	5
Carlwell	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	200	25-53	10-22	6-12	15-35	11	21	66

Team Pct.: FG - .472; FT - .500

Blocks: 5 (Dilligard 1, Slack 2, Holtz 1)

Turnovers: 17 (Dyer 2, Dilligard 1, Eldridge 2, Richardson 4, Johnson 3, Hill 1, Vandello 1, Holtz 1, Team 2)

Steals: 8 (Dyer 1, Eldridge 1, Richardson 1, Slack 1, Hill 2, Holtz 2)

Drake	Min.	FG-A	3FG-A	FT-A	O-REB	A	PF	TP
Korver, f	17	2-6	1-3	0-1	1-1	0	1	5
Calvin, f	37	6-13	0-1	7-9	2-9	1	2	19
Cox, c	21	3-3	1-1	2-3	1-3	0	2	9
Stewart, g	28	2-5	0-0	3-4	3-7	4	2	7
Grant, g	28	5-13	0-0	5-7	5-6	0	3	15
Baryenbruch	14	0-3	0-3	0-0	1-1	1	1	0
Emmenecker	13	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	2	0
Young	24	3-6	1-3	0-0	0-2	6	2	7
Keita	18	4-5	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	1	8
Totals	200	25-55	3-11	17-24	15-33	13	17	70

Team Pct.: FG - .455; FT - .708

Blocks: 2 (Cox 2)

Turnovers: 13 (Korver 2, Calvin 1, Cox 2, Stewart 3, Grant 3, Baryenbruch 1, Emmenecker 1)

Steals: 6 (Cox 1, Stewart 1, Grant 2, Emmenecker 1, Young 1)

Officials: David Warfel, Darron George, Brad Gaston

Attendance: 4,735

Halftime Score: Drake 33, ILLINOIS STATE 28