# EASTERN ILLINOIS

2025-26 Men's Basketball @EIU Panthers @eiubasketball



#### EASTERN ILLINOIS (1-1) at Notre Dame (2-0)



Tuesday, November 11 • 6:30 pm South Bend, Ind. . Joyce Center RADIO: Hit Mix 88.9 WEIU TV: ESPN+ / ACCx

LIVE STATS: www.eiupanthers.com **SERIES RECORD:** First Meeting LAST MEETING: n/a



#### **GAME 3**

Eastern Illinois returns to the road for the first of two straight games against Power Four Conference opponents as the Panthers play Tuesday night at ACC member Notre Dame. EIU is coming off a 65-57 win over Nicholls in the second game of the BBN United Tipoff Classic to stand at 1-1 on the season. It was the third consecutive home opening win for EIU. Notre Dame has won a pair of games at home beating both Long Island University and Detroit Mercy at the Joyce Center.

#### **FRUSTER FIRES AWAY**

Zion Fruster led the Panthers in scoring in Friday's home win over Nicholls as the senior scored 25 points knocking down 4-of-5 from 3-point range and 9-of-10 from the foul line. It was the third time in Fruster's two-year EIU career that he has scored 20 or more points. Last season he had an EIU career high of 29 points against Lindenwood followed by a 23-point game against Western Illinois. Fruster began his career at Division II Virginia Wise scoring a career high 34 points against Mars Hill. His early season scoring average of 18.5 points per game ranks him fifth in the league.

#### JACOBI KEYS FIRST HALF RUN

Kooper Jacobi led the Ohio Valley Conference in rebounding last season averaging 8.9 rebounds per game. He was held to just five rebounds in the season opener at Valparaiso. In Friday's win over Nicholls Jacobi just missed his 12th career double-double finishing with nine points and nine rebounds. During a key first half 11-0 run by EIU that helped turn the game in EIU's favor, Jacobi factored into all 11 points scoring two buckets while assisting on the other three. He finished the game with a team-high five assists.

#### **SCHEDULE TESTS**

Eastern Illinois faces a pair of tests on its 2025-26 schedule this week playing Tuesday at ACC member Notre Dame and Friday at No. 8 Kentucky. Later this month EIU plays at current No. 1 ranked Purdue with a mid-December game at No. 16 Iowa State. The Panthers do own four all-time wins over Power Conference teams with the most recent a 92-83 win over Iowa (Dec. 21, 2022). EIU's other Power Conference wins are over Missouri (Dec. 2017), Wisconsin (Dec. 1987) and Ole Miss (Dec. 1974).

#### **UP NEXT**

Friday - November 14, 2025 at No. 9 Kentucky (6 pm CT on SEC+)

P # G 3 G 5 G 10 F 13 F 40	Nazareth Fisher	6-1 6-2 6-6 6-10 6-7	175 170 185 200		Hometown  Louisville, Ky.  Douglasville, Ga.  Ellsinore, Mo.	9.0	1.5 5.0	0.5 3.0
G 5 G 10 F 13	Zion Fruster Preston Turner Nazareth Fisher	6-2 6-6 6-10	170 185	Sr R-Jr	Douglasville, Ga.	18.5	5.0	3.0
G 10 F 13	Preston Turner Nazareth Fisher	6-6 6-10	185	R-Jr	<b>o</b> ,			
F 13	Nazareth Fisher	6-10			Ellsinore, Mo.	9.0	0.5	
			200				2.5	0
F 40	Kooper Jacobi	6.7		5th	Washington, DC	0	0.5	0
		0-7	200	Gr	Sellersburg, Ind.	7.5	7.0	3.0
EASTERN ILLINOIS RESERVES								
G 1	Markus Blackwell	6-2	180	Fr	Detroit, Mich.	1.0	0	0
G 2	JT Elder	6-7	200	R-Jr	Tucson, Ariz.			
G 4	Andre Washington	5-11	180	R-Sr	Staten Island, NY			
G 6	Kyle Layton	6-0	175	Jr	McKinney, Texas			
F 7	Prince Johnson	6-8	215	Jr	Bennettsville, SC	3.0	4.0	0
G 11	Malik Olafioye	6-2	190	R-So	Ecorse, Mich.	7.0	2.5	3.0
F 15	Andrew Austin	6-7	200	R-So	Rock Rapids, Iowa	2.5	2.0	0
G 23	Shane Sims	6-4	200	Fr	Evansville, Ind.			
F 24	Terry McMorris	6-7	185	So	Oklahoma City, Okla.	10.0	11.0	0.5

NOVEMB	ER	
4	at Valparaiso #	L 63-66
7	NICHOLLS STATE #	W 65-57
	at Notre Dame	
14	at Kentucky #	6 pm
19	TIFFIN	7 pm
25	at Central Arkansas	6:30 pm
28	at Purdue	11 am
DECEMBE	ER	
1	BLACKBURN COLLEGE	7 pm
6	• LINDENWOOD	7 pm
10	EASTERN KENTUCKY	7 pm
14	at Iowa State	12 pm
18	• SIUE	5:30 pm
22	EAST-WEST UNIVERSITY	2 pm
JANUAR	Υ	
1	• at Southeast Missouri	7:30 pm
3	• at UT Martin	3:30 pm
8	• TENNESSEE TECH	7:30 pm
10	• TENNESSEE STATE	3:30 pm
13	• WESTERN ILLINOIS	7:30 pm
15	• at Little Rock	7 pm
22	• at Southern Indiana	7:30 pm
24	• at Morehead State	2:30 pm
29	• UT MARTIN	7:30 pm
31	• SOUTHEAST MISSOURI	3:30 pm
FEBRUAR	RY	
5	• at Tennessee State	7:30 pm
7	• at Tennessee Tech	3 pm
10	• at Western Illinois	7:30 pm
14	• LITTLE ROCK	3:30 pm
19	• MOREHEAD STATE	7:30 pm
21	• SOUTHERN INDIANA	3:30 pm
26	• at Lindenwood	7:30 pm
28	• at SIUE	3:30 pm
MARCH		
4-7	OVC Tournament - Evansville	e, IndTBA
All Times (	Central and subject to change	
Home mat	ches listed in BOLD CAPS	
Ohio Vall	ey Conference game	



# BBN United Kentucky MTE

#### **2025-26 OVC BASKETBALL STANDINGS**

SCHOOL	ovc	OVERAL
Eastern Illinois	0-0	. 1-1
Lindenwood	0-0	. 1-1
Little Rock	0-0	. 1-0
Morehead State	0-0	. 1-2
SIUE	0-0	. 2-0
Southeast Missouri	0-0	. 0-2
Southern Indiana	0-0	. 0-2
Tennessee State	0-0	. 1-1
Tennessee Tech	0-0	. 0-2
UT Martin	0-0	. 2-0
Western Illinois	0-0	. 0-2
as of Nov. 10, 2025		

# **INSIDE THE NUMBERS**





EIU Points Per Game       64.0         Opponents Points Per Game       61.5         Scoring Margin       + 2.5         Field Goal Percentage       .378         3-Point Field Goal Percentage       .259         Free Throw Percentage       .783         Rebounds       42.0         Rebound Margin       + 3.0         Assists Per Game       10.0	ND Points Per Game       95.5         Opponents Points Per Game       68.5         Scoring Margin       + 27.0         Field Goal Percentage       508         3-Point Field Goal Percentage       .475         Free Throw Percentage       .712         Rebounds       .44.5         Rebound Margin       + 12.5         Assists Per Game       .17.0
Assists Per Game 10.0	•
Turnovers Per Game	Turnovers Per Game
Steals Per Game	Steals Per Game
Field Goal Percentage Defense319	Field Goal Percentage Defense

#### **EASTERN ILLINOIS HEAD COACH MARTY SIMMONS**

Marty Simmons was hired as the 15th head coach in Eastern Illinois men's basketball history and only fourth for the Panthers at the NCAA Division I level when he was hired on March 31, 2021. A former Illinois Mr. Basketball standout that played many games for Lawrenceville High School at Eastern Illinois Lantz (now Groniger) Arena, Simmons is in his fourth head coaching stop of his career. He holds a 324-333 career record including 184 wins as the head coach at his alma mater, Evansville. He led the Purple Aces to five post-season appearances including winning the 2015 CIT Championship. Simmons has additional head coaching stops for one season at Wartburg College in Iowa and SIUE when the now OVC member was an NCAA Division II program. He worked on the coaching staff at Clemson as the Tigers made the 2021 NCAA Tournament. Simmons has a record of 41-86 (24-50 OVC) at EIU in his fourth season.

#### LAST TIME OUT

Eastern Illinois used a pair of 11-0 runs in both halves to take a 25-16 lead at halftime and then post a 65-57 win over Nicholls in the home opener for the Panthers. Kooper Jacobi triggered the first half run with two baskets and three assists on the other three EIU field goals. Jacobi had nine points and nine rebounds. Zion Fruster was the lone Panthers player in double figures finishing with 25 points on 4-of-5 shooting from 3-point range. Terry McMorris just missed his second double-double with nine points, 11 rebounds.

#### **SCOUTING NOTRE DAME**

Micah Shrewsberry is in his third season as the head coach at Notre Dame. The Fighting Irish are off to a 2-0 start to the season after going 15-18 last season and losing in the second round of the ACC Tournament. The offense has been clicking for Notre Dame in the first two wins averaging 95.5 points per game while shooting 50.8 percent from the field. Four players average in double figures early in the season led by Markus Burton at 18.5 points per game. Cole Certa has knocked down a team-high eight 3-pointers and is second on the team at 14.0 points per game. Carson Towt leads the rebounding effort at 14.5 rebounds per game.

#### **SERIES INFORMATION**

Eastern Illinois continues its current early season stretch of games against first time opponents as the Panthers play Notre Dame for the first time in school history. EIU has only played two current members of the Atlantic Coast Conference facing Miami (Fla.) and Georgia Tech. EIU is 1-3 all-time against ACC members. EIU is 1-2 all-time against Miami (Fla.) beating the Hurricanes in the 1949 NAIA National Tournament in Kansas City. The other two losses came as NCAA Division I members in Dec. 1988 and Dec. 2000. EIU's one loss to Georgia Tech came in Nov. 2001 at the Las Vegas Classic.

#### **DID YOU KNOW**

Roughly 250 miles separate the Eastern Illinois and Notre Dame campuses as the men's basketball teams meet for the first time. Of the major team sports EIU and Notre Dame have met just a handful of times with Panthers softball holding a 4-2 all-time series lead (last meeting 1993). Notre Dame baseball holds a 5-1 series lead (last 2003), men's soccer a 1-0 lead (1997) and women's soccer a 3-0 lead with two of those three contests in the opening round of the NCAA Tournament (last in 2004).

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Enrollment	8,101
Nickname	Panthers
Colors	Blue, Gray & White
President	Dr. Jay Gatrell
Athletic Director	Tom Michael
Basketball Arena	Groniger Arena (4,200)
Basketball Radio Station	Hit Mix 88.9 WEIU
Announcers	Mike Bradd







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### **Career Double-Doubles**

#### **LAST IS LISTED**

NAZARETH FISHER (20) 19 AT PP / 1 AT MSM 10 pts, 12 reb vs. Fairmont State (March 7, 2025)

#### ZION FRUSTER (1) AT VIRGINIA WISE

34 pts, 12 reb vs. Mars Hill (Jan. 3, 2024)

#### **KOOPER JACOBI (11)**

14 pts, 11 reb at Western Illinois (Jan. 30, 2025)

#### **TERRY McMORRIS (1)**

11 pts, 11 reb at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025)

### **Career Double Figure Scoring**

Zion Fruster (22 at Virginia Wise)	.42 (2)
Nazareth Fisher (28 at PP / 4 at MSM)	32
Kooper Jacobi	29
Kyle Layton (19 at Tennessee Tech)	19
Andre Washington (18 at LIU)	18
Malik Olafioye	2
Preston Turner	
Terry McMorris	1 (1)
	` '
(during 2025-26 season)	

#### Career Double Figure Rebounds

Nazaeth Fisher (31 at PP / 3 at MSM)	34
Kooper Jacobi	15
Terry McMorris	2 (2)
Zion Fruster (1 at Virginia Wise)	1

### **Career Double Figure Assists**

	2025-26 Eastern Illinois Panther Basketball						
#	PLAYER	POS	нт	WT	YR	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/LAST)PLAYER NOTES	
1	Markus Blackwell	G	6-2	180	Fr	Detroit, Mich. (Warren Lincoln HS)Michigan Division 2 Player of the Year in 2024-25	
2	JT Elder	G	6-7	200	R-Jr	Tucson, Ariz. (Arizona Western College)Averaged 11.2 points per per game last year at AWC	
3	Meechie White	G	6-1	175	Jr	Louisville, Ky. (Three Rivers College)Averaged 21.5 points per game in NJCAA Regional Tourney	
4	Andre Washington	G	5-11	180	R-Sr	Staten Island, N.Y. (Long Island University)Played in 67 games over three seasons at LIU	
5	Zion Fruster	G	6-2	170	Sr	Douglasville, Ga. (Univ. of Virginia Wise)Had 25 points against Nicholls (4-of-5 3-pt / 9-of-10 FT)	
6	Kyle Layton	G	6-0	175	Jr	McKinney, Texas (Tennessee Tech Univ.)Ranked 8th in OVC last season with 61 made 3-pointers	
7	Prince Johnson	F	68	215	Jr	Bennettsville, S.C. (Gulf Coast State College)Shot 56.7 percent from floor last season in JUCO	
10	Preston Turner	G	6-6	185	R-Jr	Ellsinore, Mo. (Mineral Area CC)First team All-Region last year averaging 13.7 ppg	
11	Malik Olafioye	G	6-2	190	R-So	Ecorse, Mich. (Univ Missouri Kansas City)First career double figure game at Southeast Missouri, 10 pts	
13	Nazareth Fisher	F	6-10	200	5th	Washington D.C. (Point Park Univ.)Averaged double-double last year at 11.3 points, 11.0 reb	
15	Andrew Austin	F	6-7	200	R-So	Rock Rapids, Iowa (Des Moines Area CC)Shot 39.2 percent from 3-point range last season	
23	Shane Sims	G	6-4	200	Fr	Evansville, Ind. (Harrison HS)Scored 1,513 points in high school	
24	Terry McMorris	F	6-7	185	So	Oklahoma City, Okla. (Link Year Prep)Double-double in season opener at Valpo (11 pts / 11 reb)	
40	Kooper Jacobi	F	6-7	200	Gr	Sellersburg, Ind. (Univ. of Toledo)Led OVC in rebounding last season at 8.9 rpg	

**Head Coach:** Marty Simmons (Evansville, 1987 - 5th year) **Assistant Coach:** Rich McBride (Illinois - 3rd year)

Assistant Coach: Henoc Bienne (Mercy College - 1st year)
Assistant Coach: Nate Michael (McKendree - 2nd year)
Assistant Coach: Bob Lockart (Millikin - 4th year)

Graduate Assistant: Carlos Cortez Jr (Eastern Illinois - 2nd year)

Athletic Trainer: Ben McNeilly (1st year)
Strength Coach: Alex Salterio (1st year)

#### **PRONUNCIATIONS**

#5 - Zion Frew-ster (rhymes with booster) #11 - muh-LEEK oh-loff-ee-OH-yay #40 - Cooper Juh-KOH-bee

Panthers Record When
Numbers for 2025-26 season
Leading at the half1-0
Trailing at the half0-1
Tied at the half
Tied at the Hall
EIU leads in rebounds1-1
Opponent leads in rebounds
Rebounds are equal
EIU has more turnovers1-1
Opponent has more turnovers
Turnovers are equal
EIU shoots 50% or better
EIU shoots below 40%1-1
Opponent shoots 50% or better
Opponent shoots below 40%1-1
EIU has 65 or fewer points1-1
EIU has 66-to-79 points
EIU has 80 or more points
Opponent scores 65 or fewer1-0
Opponent has 66-to-79 points0-1
Opponent score 80 or more
Opponent score of or more
Games decided by 1-5 points0-1
Games decided by 6-10 points1-0
Games decided by 11-15 points
Games decided by 16 points or more
EIU shoots more free throws1-0
Opponents shoots more free throws0-1
Free throws attempted are equal
i ree unows attempted are equal
Overtime Games

- Last season as a true freshman Terry McMorris pulled down a season high five rebounds in two different games while scoring a season high five points. He shattered both of those career numbers in the season opener at Valparaiso posting his first career double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds. McMorris just missed on his second career double-double against Nicholls scoring nine points to go with 11 rebounds. His 11 rebounds per game average ranks him second in the OVC early this season. He has knocked down 10-of-12 free throws to rank eighth in the OVC in free throw percentage at 83.3 percent.
  - Malik Olafioye has come off the bench in both games this season after making 12 starts last year. He scored nine points in the opener at Valparaiso with 27 minutes on the floor. On Friday against Nicholls he played 22 minutes passing out five assists along with five points. Last season Olafioye averaged 1.6 assists per game with two games with five or more assists (6 vs. Calumet St. Joseph and 5 at Northwestern).
  - Eastern Illinois knocked down 22-of-29 free throws on Friday night against Nicholls finishing the evening shooting 75.9 percent from the stripe. EIU opened the season going 25-of-31 at the line at Valparaiso for a 80.6 clip. EIU is now shooting 78.3 percent from the free throw line which ranks third in the OVC. The Panthers are averaging 30 free throw attempts per game which is second in the league. Last season EIU shot 67.8 percent from the line (9th in the OVC) while taking an average of 19.6 free throw attempts per game (5th in the OVC).
  - Eastern Illinois defense has been able to hold its opening two opponents below 35 percent shooting from the field as the Panthers field percentage defense stands at 31.9 percent through the opening two games. EIU enters the week ranked second in the OVC in field goal percentage defense. The Panthers are allowing opponents to score 61.5 points per game through two contests which ranks second in the league.
  - Prince Johnson provided solid play in the low post on Friday night against Nicholls as the junior college transfer finished with four points and six rebounds. Johnson was 2-of-3 from the field making his first EIU field goal. He had scored his first EIU points with a pair of free throws last Tuesday at Valparaiso. In that game at Valpo he pulled down two rebounds. He picked up one of four blocks by the Panthers defense against Nicholls.
  - Guard Meechie White tied for the team lead with two steals on Friday night against Nicholls making his second straight start. White was 4-of-5 from the foul line scoring six points to go with one assist and two rebounds. In the opener at Valparaiso White was limited to just ten minutes on the court after early foul trouble in both halves. He had five points and blocked a shot at Valpo as he went 3-for-3 from the free throw line. White ranks fifth in the OVC in free throw percentage at 87.5 percent. Last season he shot 82.6 percent from the line playing at Three Rivers CC.
  - Junior college transfer Andrew Austin scored his first EIU points on Friday against Nicholls finishing with five points off the bench. Austin knocked down one 3-pointer (1-of-4) while going 2-of-2 at the free throw line. Last season Austin connected for 39.2 percent from 3-point range playing at Des Moines Area CC. In the Region II semifinals he scored 30 points knocking down 8-of-12 from 3-point range.
  - Eastern Illinois has won the battle on the glass in both early season games holding a plus three margin in each contest against Valparaiso and Nicholls. EIU is averaging 41.0 rebounds per game with 11.0 offensive boards per contest. Last season EIU averaged 35.3 rebounds per game (11.5 offensive) with a minus 1.0 rebound margin.



#### 2025-26 BENCH SCORING

2025-26 BENCH SCURING	0
Game EIU  Nov. 4 at Valparaiso	<u> </u>
Nov. 7 vs. Nicholls 23	
Nov. 11 at Notre Dame	9
Nov. 14 at Kentucky	
Nov. 19 vs. Tiffin	
Nov. 25 at Central Arkansas	
Nov. 28 at Purdue	
Dec. 1 vs. Blackburn	
Dec. 6 vs. Lindenwood	
Dec. 10 vs. Eastern Kentucky	
Dec. 14 at Iowa State	
Dec. 18 vs. SIUE	
Dec. 22 vs. East-West Univ.	
Jan. 1 at Southeast Missouri	
Jan. 3 at UT Martin	
Jan. 8 vs. Tennessee Tech	
Jan. 10 vs. Tennessee State	
Jan. 13 vs. Western Illinois	
Jan. 15 at Little Rock	
Jan. 22 at Southern Indiana	
Jan. 24 at Morehead State	
Jan. 29 vs. UT Martin	
Jan. 31 vs. Southeast Missouri	
Feb. 5 at Tennessee State	
Feb. 7 at Tennessee Tech	
Feb. 10 at Western Illinois	
Feb. 14 vs. Little Rock	
Feb. 21 vs. Morehead State	
Feb. 23 vs. Southern Indiana	
Feb. 26 at Lindenwood	
Feb. 28 at SIUE	
March 4 at OVC Tournament	27 (4C E)
Total (Plus 10 + 5.0)	. 37 (10.5)

#### 2025-26 POINTS IN THE PAINT

Game	EIU	Opp.
Nov. 4 at Valparaiso		
Nov. 7 vs. Nicholls		26
Nov. 11 at Notre Dame		
Nov. 14 at Kentucky		
Nov. 19 vs. Tiffin		
Nov. 25 at Central Arkansas		
Nov. 28 at Purdue		
Dec. 1 vs. Blackburn		
Dec. 6 vs. Lindenwood		
Dec. 10 vs. Eastern Kentucky		
Dec. 14 at Iowa State		
Dec. 18 vs. SIUE		
Dec. 22 vs. East-West Univ.		
Jan. 1 at Southeast Missouri		
Jan. 3 at UT Martin		
Jan. 8 vs. Tennessee Tech		
Jan. 10 vs. Tennessee State		
Jan. 13 vs. Western Illinois		
Jan. 15 at Little Rock		
Jan. 22 at Southern Indiana		
Jan. 24 at Morehead State		
Jan. 29 vs. UT Martin		
Jan. 31 vs. Southeast Missouri		
Feb. 5 at Tennessee State		
Feb. 7 at Tennessee Tech		
Feb. 10 at Western Illinois		
Feb. 14 vs. Little Rock		
Feb. 21 vs. Morehead State		
Feb. 23 vs. Southern Indiana		
Feb. 26 at Lindenwood		
Feb. 28 at SIUE		
March 4 at OVC Tournament		
Total (Even 0.0)4	8 (24.0) 4	48 (24.0)

### This Last Time It Happened.

#### An EIU player scored 40 points or more...

Josh Gomes (40) vs. UT Martin (Feb. 7, 2004)

#### An EIU player scored 30 points or more...

Nakyel Shelton (38) vs. Morehead State (Jan. 23, 2025)

#### An EIU player had 20 rebounds or more...

Michael Slaughter (20) at Central Connecticut (Jan. 14, 1995)

#### An EIU player had 15 rebounds or more...

Kooper Jacobi (16) vs. Northern Illinois (Nov. 29, 2024)

#### An EIU player had 15 assists or more...

Chad Peckinpaugh (18) vs. Southeast Missouri (Feb. 22, 1997)

#### An EIU player had 10 assists or more...

Kejuan Clements (10) vs. UT Martin (Feb. 12, 2022)

#### An EIU player had 5 steals or more...

Obadiah Curtis (5) vs. Blackburn College (Dec. 28, 2024)

#### An EIU player had 5 blocks or more...

Nick Ellington (5) vs. Little Rock (Jan. 14, 2023)

#### An EIU player made 5 or more 3-pointers...

Nakyel Shelton (6-of-10) vs. UT Martin (Feb. 15, 2025)

#### An EIU players made 10 or more free throws...

Artese Stapleton (10-of-13) vs. Southeast Missouri (March 1, 2025)

#### An EIU player had a double-double...

Terry McMorris (11 pts, 11 reb) at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025)

#### EIU had two players post a double-double in same game...

February 12, 2022 vs. UT Martin ... (W, 82-70) Kejuan Clements (15 pts / 10 ast) Rodolfo Bolis (13 pts / 11 reb)

#### EIU had two players score 20 or more points in a game...

March 1, 2025 vs. Southeast Missouri (W, 73-58) Nakyel Shelton (28) and Artese Stapleton (22)

#### EIU had five players score in double figures...

January 30, 2025 at Western Illinois... (Won 71-59 / 5 DF)

#### EIU made 10 or more 3-pointers in a game...

January 16, 2025 at UT Martin ... (11-of-27 for 40.7 pct)

#### EIU had 20 or more assists in a game...

December 28, 2024 vs. Blackburn College) ... (23)

#### EIU had 10 or more blocked shots in a game...

December 12, 2020 vs. Western Illinois... (10)

#### EIU had 10 or more steals in a game...

March 1, 2025 vs. Southeast Missouri... (14)

#### EIU shot over 50 percent from the floor in a game...

November 6, 2024 vs. Earlham College (36-of-69 for 52.2 percent)

#### EIU shot over 60 percent from the floor in a game...

December 28, 2024 vs. Blackburn College ... (43-of-65 for 66.2 percent)

#### EIU scored 100 points in a game...

December 2, 2023 vs. St. Louis Pharmacy - UHSP... (W, 112-50)

#### EIU won an overtime game...

January 2, 2025 vs. Lindenwood (W 78-74, OT)

#### 2025-26 POINTS OFF TURNOVERS

Game	EIU	Opp.
Nov. 4 at Valparaiso	13	15
Nov. 7 vs. Nicholls	12	22
Nov. 11 at Notre Dame		
Nov. 14 at Kentucky		
Nov. 19 vs. Tiffin		
Nov. 25 at Central Arkansas		
Nov. 28 at Purdue		
Dec. 1 vs. Blackburn		
Dec. 6 vs. Lindenwood		
Dec. 10 vs. Eastern Kentucky		
Dec. 14 at Iowa State		
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Feb. 28 at SIUE		
March 4 at OVC Tournament		//:
Total (Minus 126.0)	25 (12.5)	3/ (18.5)

#### **OVC INDIVIDUAL TOP TEN**

#### Scoring

Zion Fruster (5th ... 18.5 ppg)

#### Rebounding

Terry McMorris (2nd ... 11.0 rpg) Kooper Jacobi (10th ... 7.0 rpg)

#### Free Throw Percentage

Zion Fruster (3rd ... 92.9 pct) Meechie White (5th ... 87.5 pct) Terry McMorris (8th ... 83.3 pct)

#### **Minutes Played**

Zion Fruster (3rd ... 35.5 mpg)

### 2025-26 EIU SEASON TOP 5 PERFORMANCES

### Points Scored (Individual)

1 .....25 - Zion Fruster vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025) 2 .....16 - Preston Turner at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025)

3 ..... 12 - Zion Fruster at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025)

4 ..... 11 - Terry McMorris at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025)

#### Rebounds (Individual)

1 ...... 11 - Terry McMorris vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025) ........ 11 - Terry McMorris at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025) 3 ...... 9 - Kooper Jacobi vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025)

Assists (Individual)
1 ...... 5 - Malik Olafioye vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025)
...... 5 - Kooper Jacobi vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025)

#### Steals (Individual)

1 ...... 3 - Zion Fruster at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025)

2 ......2 - Kooper Jacobi vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025) .......2 - Meechie White vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025) .......2 - Preston Turner at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025)

#### Blocks (Individual)

1 ...... 1 - Sevén players tied with one block each

3-Pointers Made (Individual)
1 ...... 4 - Zion Fruster vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025) (4-of-5)
2 ..... 2 - Preston Turner at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025) (2-of-3)

Free Throws Made (Individual)

1 ...... 9 - Zion Fruster vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025) (9-of-10)

2 ...... 7 - Terry McMorris at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025) (7-of-9)

3 ..... 6 - Preston Turner at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025) (6-of-9)

#### Points Half (Team)

1 ...... 40 vs. Nicholls (Nov. 7, 2025) (2nd Half) 2 ...... 38 at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025) (2nd Half)

#### Shooting Percentage Game (Team)

#### Shooting Percentage Half (Team)

1 ..... 47.6 pct at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025) (2nd Half ... 10-of-21)

1	Markus Blackwell 6-2, 180, Fr., G Detroit, Mich.	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .250	<b>3FG</b> .000	<b>FT</b>  0-0	<b>Pts</b> 1.0	<b>Reb</b> 0	<b>Ast</b> 0	Michigan Division 2 Player of the Year in 2024-25 Two-time All-State, four-time first team All-Conference in HS Averaged 19 points, 4 rebounds as a senior Led team to back-to-back state championships
2	JT Elder 6-7, 200, R-Jr., G Tucson, Ariz.	G 	<b>FG</b>  0	<b>3FG</b>  0	<b>FT</b>  0	Pts 	Reb 	Ast 	Second team All-Conference honors at Arizona Western Began career at San Jose State - 17 games in 2022-23 Pulled down five rebounds vs New Mexico as a freshman Scored four points four times at San Jose State
3	Meechie White 6-1, 175, Jr., G Louisville, Ky.	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .286	<b>3FG</b> .000 0-4	<b>FT</b> .875 7-8	<b>Pts</b> 5.5	<b>Reb</b> 1.5	<b>Ast</b> 0.5	Played last two seasons at Three Rivers College Averaged 13 pts, 4.5 reb and 3.6 ast last season Averaged 21.5 points in NJCAA Region Tournament Led Male High School to back-to-back Ky State Championships
4	Andre Washington 5-11, 180, R-Sr., G Staten Island, NY	G 	<b>FG</b>  0	<b>3FG</b>  0	<b>FT</b>  0	Pts 	Reb Ast		Member of Long Island University program for four seasons Scored a career high 37 points vs Saint Francis Had 18 double figure scoring games at LIU Missed 2024-25 season at LIU due to injury
5	<b>Zion Fruster</b> 6-2, 170, Sr., G Douglasville, Ga.	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .385	<b>3FG</b> .571 4-7	<b>FT</b> .929 13-14	<b>Pts</b> 18.5	<b>Reb</b> 5.0	<b>Ast</b> 3.0	Scored 25 points in home win over Nicholls Season high 29 points vs Lindenwood (20 in first half) Made at least one 3-pointer in 23 of 28 games (36 total) in 2025 Played last two seasons at Virginia Wise (22 double figure games)
6	<b>Kyle Layton</b> 6-0, 175, Jr., G McKinney, Texas	G 	<b>FG</b>  0	<b>3FG</b>  0	<b>FT</b>  0	Pts 	Reb 	Ast 	Played last two seasons at OVC member Tennessee Tech Averaged 8.2 points, 2.3 reb and 1.8 ast in 30 starts last year Ranked 8th in OVC in 3-pointers made with 61 last year Had 19 double figure scoring games at Tennessee Tech
7	<b>Prince Johnson</b> 6-8, 215, Jr., F Bennettsville, SC	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .667	<b>3FG</b> 0 0-0	<b>FT</b> 1.000 2-2	<b>Pts</b> 3.0	<b>Reb</b> 4.0	<b>Blk</b> 0.5	Played 2024-25 season at Gult Coast State College Averaged 6.8 points and 5.8 rebounds per game last year Ranked 11th in FCSAA in blocked shots with 32 From South Carolina, attended high school in Georgia
10	<b>Preston Turner</b> 6-6, 185, R-Jr., G Ellsinore, Mo.	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .455 5-11	<b>3FG</b> .333 2-6	<b>FT</b> .667 6-9	<b>Pts</b> 9.0	<b>Reb</b> 2.5	<b>StI</b> 1.5	Played last two seasons at Mineral Area CC Twice named All-Region (1st team selection last year) Avraged 13.7 points and 5.0 rebounds last season Began career at Truman State, redshirted 2022-23 year
11	Malik Olafioye 6-2, 190, R-Fr., G Ecorse, Mich.	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .333 5-15	<b>3FG</b> .000	<b>FT</b> .667 4-6	<b>Pts</b> 7.0	<b>Reb</b> 2.5	<b>Ast</b> 3.0	First career double figure game with 10 pts at SEMO Had 31 assists, 16 turnovers in 14 starts this season Played at Kansas City last year, appeared in nine games 2,200 HS career points, 2023 Michigan 3A Player of the Year
13	Nazareth Fisher 6-10, 200, 5th, F Washington, DC	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .000	<b>3FG</b> 0 0-0	<b>FT</b> 0 0-0	Pts 0	<b>Reb</b> 0.5	<b>Bik</b> 0.5	Played last two seasons at Point Park (62 games) Averaged a double-double last season at 11.3 pts, 11 reb Has 107 career blocks with 40 last season at Point Park Began career at NCAA Division III St. Mary's College (Md.)
15	Andrew Austin 6-7, 220, R-So., F Rock Rapids, Iowa	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .250	<b>3FG</b> .250	FT 1.000 2-2	<b>Pts</b> 2.5	<b>Reb</b> 2.0	Ast 0	Played last season at Des Moines Area CC Second team All-Region averaging 11.7 pts, 6.0 reb per game Shot 39.2 percent from 3-point range Led team to Iowa Class 2A state championship as a senior
23	Shane Sims 6-4, 200, Fr., G Evansville, Ind.	G 	<b>FG</b> 	<b>3FG</b>  0	<b>FT</b>  0	Pts 	Reb 	StI 	Attended Harrison High School Averaged in double figures all four years of high school Scored 1,513 career points in high school (205 3-pointers) Averaged 19.3 points and 4.2 assists as a senior
24	<b>Terry McMorris</b> 6-7, 185, Fr., F Oklahoma City, Okla.	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .385 5-13	<b>3FG</b> 0 0-0	FT .833 10-12	<b>Pts</b> 10.0	<b>Reb</b> 11.0	<b>Blk</b> 1.0	Double-double at Valparaiso (11 pts / 11 reb) Played in last 12 OVC games, 4 pts / 5 reb at SIUE Scored first collegiate points at No. 17 Indiana (1-of-2 FT) Led OKC Douglass HS to Oklahoma Class 4A title in 2023
40	Kooper Jacobi 6-7, 200, Grad., F Sellersburg, Ind.	<b>G</b> 2	<b>FG</b> .429 6-14	<b>3FG</b> .000	<b>FT</b> .429 3-7	<b>Pts</b> 7.5	<b>Reb</b> 7.0	<b>Ast</b> 3.0	OVC Player of the Week on Feb. 5 (avg 11.7 ppg / 10.3 rpg) Led OVC in rebounding (8.9 rpg), 1st in Offensive Reb (88) Matched career high with 22 points at Butler (5-of-7 on 3-pt) Nine double-doubles in 2024-25, last at WIU (14 Pt /11 Reb)

# $EASTERN\ ILLINOIS\ PANTHER\ HIGHS\ (SEASON\ AND\ CAREER\ HIGH\ POINTS/REBOUNDS/ASSISTS)$ \* Indicates Has Happened More Than One Time & Last Time Occured Is Listed (# of Times In Parenthesis)

	SEASON HIGH	CAREER HIGH
1 MARKUS BLACKWELL	P - 2 at Valparaiso (11-4-25) R - A -	P - Same R - Same A - Same
2 JT ELDER	P - R - A -	P - 4 vs. New Mexico (2-17-23) * (4) (at SJSU) R - 5 vs. New Mexico (2-17-23) (at SJSU) A - 1 at Colorado State (12-31-22) * (2) (at SJSU)
3 MEECHIE WHITE	P - 6 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) R - 2 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) A - 1 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25)	P - Same R - Same A - Same
4 ANDRE WASHINGTON	P - R - A -	P - 37 vs. Saint Francis (2-18-23) (at LIU) R - 7 vs. Merchant Marine (12-31-21) (at LIU) A - 7 vs. Merchant Marine (12-31-21) (at LIU)
5 ZION FRUSTER	P - 25 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) R - 6 at Valparaiso (11-4-25) A - 4 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25)	P - 34 vs. Mars Hill (1-3-24) (at VAWise) R - 12 vs. Mars Hill (1-3-24) (at VAWise) A - 7 vs. Mars Hill (1-3-24) (at VAWise)
6 KYLE LAYTON	P - R - A -	P - 20 at Tennessee State (1-23-25) (at TTU) R - 5 vs. Morehead State (1-4-25) * (2) (at TTU) A - 6 vs. VMI (11-15-24) (at TTU)
7 PRINCE JOHNSON	P - 4 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) R - 6 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) A -	P - Same R - Same A - Same
10 PRESTON TURNER	P - 16 at Valparaiso (11-4-25) R - 4 at Valparaiso (11-4-25) A -	P - Same R - Same A - Same
11 MALIK OLAFIOYE	P - 9 at Valparaiso (11-4-25) R - 3 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) A - 5 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25)	P - 11 vs. Blackburn College (12-28-24) R - 5 at Valparaiso (11-24-24) A - 6 vs. Calumet Saint Joseph (12-6-24)
13 NAZARETH FISHER	P - R - 1 at Valparaiso (11-4-25) A -	P - 35 vs. Salem (WVa) (3-1-25) (at Point Park) R - 25 vs. Wheeling (11-26-24) (at Point Park) A - 2 at Frostburg State (1-18-25) (at Point Park)
15 ANDREW AUSTIN	P - 5 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) R - 2 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) * (2) A -	P - Same R - Same A - Same
23 SHANE SIMS	P - R - A -	P - Same R - Same A - Same
24 TERRY MCMORRIS	P - 11 at Valparaiso (11-4-25) R - 11 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) * (2) A - 1 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25)	P - Same R - Same A - 1 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) * (6)
40 KOOPER JACOBI	P - 9 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) R - 9 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25) A - 5 vs. Nicholls (11-7-25)	P - 22 at Butler (12-3-24) * (2) R - 16 vs. Northern Illinois (11-29-24) A - 6 at Northwestern (11-15-24)

### EASTERN ILLINOIS BASKETBALL TV ROSTER







1 - Markus Blackwell G / 6-2 / 180 / Fr Detroit, Mich. Warren Lincoln HS



2 - JT Elder G / 6-7 / 200 / R-Jr Tucson, Ariz. Arizona Western College



3 - Meechie White G / 6-1 / 175 / Jr Louisville, Ky. Three Rivers College



4 - Andre Washington G / 5-11 / 180 / R-Sr Staten Island, NY Long Island University



5 - Zion Fruster G / 6-2 / 170 / Sr Douglasville, Ga. Univ. of Virginia Wise



6 - Kyle Layton G / 6-0 / 175 / Jr McKinney, Texas Tennessee Tech University



7 - Prince Johnson F / 6-8 / 215 / Jr Bennettsville, SC **Gulf Coast State College** 



10 - Preston Turner G / 6-6 / 185 / R-Jr Ellsinore, Mo. Mineral Area CC



11 - Malik Olafiove G / 6-2 / 190 / R-So Ecorse, Mich. Univ. Missouri Kansas City



13 - Nazareth Fisher F / 6-10 / 220 / 5th Washington, DC Point Park Univ.



15 - Andrew Austin F / 6-7 / 220 / R-So Rock Rapids, Iowa Des Moines Area CC



23 - Shane Sims G / 6-4 / 200 / Fr Evansville, Ind. Harrison HS



24 - Terry McMorris F / 6-7 / 185 / So Oklahoma City, Okla. Link Year Prep



40 - Kooper Jacobi F / 6-7 / 200 / Grad Sellersburg, Ind. Univ. of Toledo



**Marty Simmons** Head Coach 5th Year Evansville, 1987



Rich McBride **Assistant Coach** (3rd year) Illinois



Henoc Bienne **Assistant Coach** (1st year) Mercy College



**Nate Michael** Assistant Coach (2nd year) McKendree



**Bob Lockart** Assistant Coach (4th year) Millikin



**Carlos Cortez Jr** Graduate Asst (2nd year) Eastern Illinois



Ben McNeilly Athletic Trainer (1st year)



Alex Salterio Strength Coach (1st year)

# EASTERN ILLINOIS MEN'S BASKETBALL STATISTICS

**Game Records** 

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Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	1-1	1-0	0-1	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	1-1	1-0	0-1	0-0

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	ОТ	тот
Eastern III.	50	78	0	128
Opponents	47	76	0	123

#### **Team Box Score**

Na	Player				Tota	al	3-Poii	nt	F-Th	row		Rebo	ound	s								
NO.	Piayer	GP-GS	MIN	AVG	FG-FGA	FG%	3FG-3FGA	3FG%	FT-FTA	FT%	OFF	DEF	тот	AVG	PF	DQ	Α	то	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
5	FRUSTER, Zion	2-2	69:51	34.9	10-26	.385	4-7	.571	13-14	.929	1	9	10	5.0	5	0	6	4	0	4	37	18.5
24	MCMORRIS, Terry	2-0	55:16	27.6	5-13	.385	0-0	.000	10-12	.833	6	16	22	11.0	3	0	1	2	2	0	20	10.0
10	TURNER, Preston	2-2	54:02	27.0	5-11	.455	2-6	.333	6-9	.667	0	5	5	2.5	4	0	0	6	0	3	18	9.0
40	JACOBI, Kooper	2-2	61:29	30.7	6-14	.429	0-2	.000	3-7	.429	4	10	14	7.0	7	1	6	5	0	2	15	7.5
11	OLAFIOYE, Malik	2-0	49:42	24.8	5-15	.333	0-3	.000	4-6	.667	2	3	5	2.5	7	0	6	5	1	0	14	7.0
3	WHITE, Meechie	2-2	34:18	17.2	2-7	.286	0-4	.000	7-8	.875	1	2	3	1.5	6	0	1	4	1	2	11	5.5
7	JOHNSON, Prince	2-0	21:32	10.8	2-3	.667	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	2	6	8	4.0	6	0	0	2	1	0	6	3.0
15	AUSTIN, Andrew	2-0	34:45	17.4	1-4	.250	1-4	.250	2-2	1.000	1	3	4	2.0	7	0	0	2	1	0	5	2.5
1	BLACKWELL, Markus	2-0	10:42	5.4	1-4	.250	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	1.0
13	FISHER, Nazareth	2-2	08:23	4.2	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.5	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	0.0
Tea	m										5	7	12					3				
Tot	al	2	400		37-98	.378	7-27	.259	47-60	.783	22	62	84	42.0	49	1	20	36	7	11	128	64.0
Op	ponents	2	400		37-116	.319	11-57	.193	38-62	.613	31	47	78	39.0	46	0	15	25	9	21	123	61.5

#### **Team Statistics**

	EIU	OPP
Scoring	128	123
Points per game	64.0	61.5
Scoring margin	+2.5	-
Field goals-att	37-98	37-116
Field goal pct	.378	.319
3 point fg-att	7-27	11-57
3-point FG pct	.259	.193
3-pt FG made per game	3.5	5.5
Free throws-att	47-60	38-62
Free throw pct	.783	.613
F-Throws made per game	23.5	19.0
Rebounds	84	78
Rebounds per game	42.0	39.0
Rebounding margin	+3.0	-
Assists	20	15
Assists per game	10.0	7.5
Turnovers	36	25
Turnovers per game	18.0	12.5
Turnover margin	-5.5	-
Assist/turnover ratio	0.6	0.6
Steals	11	21
Steals per game	5.5	10.5
Blocks	7	9
Blocks per game	3.5	4.5
Winning streak	1	-
Home win streak	1	-
Attendance	1024	1095
Home games-Avg/Game	1-1024	1-1095
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	0-0

#### **Team Results**

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
11/04/2025	at Valparaiso	L	63-66	1095
11/07/2025	Nicholls	W	65-57	1024



## **EASTERN ILLINOIS MEN'S BASKETBALL GAME LEADERS**

#### **Team Results**

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.	High Points	High Rebounds
11/04/2025	at Valparaiso	L	63-66	1095	(16) TURNER, Preston	(11) MCMORRIS, Terry
11/07/2025	Nicholls	W	65-57	1024	(25) FRUSTER, Zion	(11) MCMORRIS, Terry

### **Attendance Summary**

	Games	Attend	Avg/Game
Home	1	1024	1024
Away	1	1095	1095
Neutral	0	0	0
Total	2	2119	1060

# **EASTERN ILLINOIS MEN'S BASKETBALL POINTS-REBOUNDS-ASSISTS**

Opponent	Date	Score		1 RI ACKWELL	3 WHITE MEEC	5 FRUSTER 71	7 IOHNSON PR	10 TURNER PRE	11 OI AFIOYE M	13 FISHER NA7	15 AUSTIN AND	24 MCMORRIS.T	40
at Valparaiso	11/04/2025	63-66		2-0-0	5-1-0	12-6-2	2-2-0	16-4-0	9-2-1	0-1-0	0-2-0	11-11-0	6-5-1
Nicholls	11/07/2025	65-57	W	0-0-0	6-2-1	25-4-4	4-6-0	2-1-0	5-3-5	0-0-0	5-2-0	9-11-1	9-9-5

# **EASTERN ILLINOIS MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM GAME-BY-GAME**

				Tota	al	3-Pointe	3-Pointers		Free throws		Rebounds									
Opponent	Date	Score		FG-FGA	PCT	3FG-3FGA	PCT	FT-FTA	PCT	OFF	DEF	тот	AVG	PF	Α	то	BLK	STL	PTS	AVG
at Valparaiso	11/04/2025	63-66	L	18-46	.391	2-9	.222	25-31	.806	10	31	41	41.0	30	4	20	3	5	63	63.0
Nicholls	11/07/2025	65-57	W	19-52	.365	5-18	.278	22-29	.759	12	31	43	42.0	19	16	16	4	6	65	64.0
Total		128		37-98	.378	7-27	.259	47-60	.783	22	62	84	42.0	49	20	36	7	11	128	64.0
Opponents		123		37-116	.319	11-57	.193	38-62	.613	31	47	78	39.0	46	15	25	9	21	123	61.5

#### Eastern III. Averages

Games Played	Points/ game	FG Pct	3FG Pct	FT Pct	Rebounds/ game	Assists/ game	Turnovers/ game	Assist/Turnover ratio	Steals/ game	Blocks/ game
2	64.0	37.8	25.9	78.3	42.0	10.0	18.0	0.6	5.5	3.5

### **EASTERN ILLINOIS GAME-BY-GAME STARTING LINE-UP**

Date	Game	Result	G	G	G/F	F	F	Rec. By Line-Up
Nov. 4	at Valparaiso	L 63-66	White	Fruster	Turner	Fisher	Jacobi	0-1 (1)
Nov. 7	Nicholls	W 65-57	White	Fruster	Turner	Fisher	Jacobi	1-1 (1)

### **EASTERN ILLINOIS CAREER DOUBLE-DOUBLES**

#### **NAZARETH FISHER (20)**

13 pts, 12 reb vs. Gallaudet (Feb. 8, 2023) \* SMC

12 pts, 13 reb vs. Penn St.-Greater Allegheny (Oct. 30, 2023) \* PP

12 pts, 14 reb at Alice Lloyd (Ky.) (Feb. 17, 2024) \* PP

12 pts, 14 reb vs. Ohio Christian (Feb. 20, 2024) \* PP

14 pts, 19 reb vs. Indiana East (Feb. 28, 2024) \* PP

10 pts, 13 reb vs. Saint Mary of the Woods (March 5, 2024) \* PP

12 pts, 13 reb vs. Mansfield (Nov. 9, 2024) \* PP

13 pts, 19 reb vs. Glenville State (Nov. 14, 2024) \* PP

13 pts, 11 reb vs Penn St-Greater Allegheny (Nov. 18, 2024) \* PP

30 pts, 22 reb at West Liberty (Nov. 23, 2024) \* PP

14 pts, 25 reb vs. Wheeling (Nov. 26, 2024) \* PP

16 pts, 18 reb vs Penn St.-Shenango (Dec. 20, 2024) \* PP

10 pts, 13 reb vs. West Virginia State (Jan. 11, 2025) \* PP

14 pts, 11 reb vs. West Liberty (Jan. 23, 2025) \* PP

10 pts, 13 reb at Salem (WVa.) (Jan. 25, 2025) \* PP

13 pts, 13 reb at Glenville State (Feb. 5, 2025) \* PP

18 pts, 12 reb vs. Frostburg State (Feb. 22, 2025) \* PP

25 pts, 11 reb at Wheeling (Feb. 26, 2025) \* PP

35 pts, 18 reb vs. Salem (WVa.) (March 1, 2025) \* PP

10 pts, 12 reb vs. Fairmont State (March, 7, 2025) \* PP

#### **ZION FRUSTER (1)**

34 pts, 12 reb vs. Mars Hill (Jan. 3, 2024) \*

#### **KOOPER JACOBI (11)**

10 pts, 11 reb at Illinois (Nov. 6, 2023)

15 pts, 15 reb vs IU Indy (Dec. 7, 2023)

16 pts, 11 reb vs. Earlham College (Nov. 6, 2024)

19 pts, 16 reb vs Northern Illinois (Nov. 29, 2024)

10 pts, 13 reb at Eastern Kentucky (Dec. 14, 2024)

15 pts, 12 reb at Southeast Missouri (Dec. 19, 2024)

12 pts, 10 reb vs. Lindenwood (Jan. 2, 2025)

11 pts, 12 reb at UT Martin (Jan. 16, 2025)

14 pts, 13 reb at Tennessee State (Jan. 18, 2025)

17 pts, 12 reb vs Southern Indiana (Jan. 25, 2025)

14 pts, 11 reb at Western Illinois (Jan. 30, 2025)

#### **TERRY McMORRIS (1)**

11 pts, 11 reb at Valparaiso (Nov. 4, 2025)

\* Indicates happened at previous school

# Game 1 - November 4, 2025 at Valparaiso, Ind. (Athletics-Recreation-Center) Valparaiso 66, Eastern Illinois 63



Official Basketball Box Score - Final **Eastern III. at Valparaiso** 11/04/25 Athletics-Recreation Center, Vabaraiso 2025-26 Men's Basketball

Eastern III 63 Record: 0-1  FG 3P FT Rebounds Fouls Blocks																		
				FG	3P	FT	Re	bou	nds	Fo	uls	TP	Λς.	то	ст	Blo	cks	+/-
NO.	Name		Min	M-A	M-A	M-A	OR	DR	TOT	PF	FD		70		٠.	BS	BA	Τ/-
13	Nazareth Fisher	F	04:16	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	-1
40	Kooper Jacobi	F	23:11	2-5	0-0	2-2	2	3	5	5	2	6	1	2	0	0	2	-9
3	Meechie White	G	10:12	1-2	0-1	3-3	0	1	1	4	4	5	0	1	0	1	0	-1
5	Zion Fruster	G	33:59	4-14	0-2	4-4	1	5	6	2	4	12	2	2	3	0	1	2
10	Preston Turner	G	39:06	4-5	2-3	6-9	0	4	4	1	5	16	0	5	2	0	0	-2
15	Andrew Austin		17:59	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	2	4	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	5
11	Malik Olafioye		27:15	4-11	0-2	1-2	0	2	2	4	1	9	1	3	0	1	1	-5
1	Markus Blackwell		07:31	1-4	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	-2
24	Terry McMorris		27:00	2-5	0-0	7-9	3	8	11	3	5	11	0	1	0	1	0	-3
7	Prince Johnson		09:31	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	2	2	4	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tean	n					•	3	4	7	0		0		1				

1.	Shooti	ng By Pe	eriod
-	1st FG%	8-25	32.09
1	3PT%	1-4	25.09
9	FT%	8-9	88.99
1	2 <sup>nd</sup> FG%	10-21	47.69
2	3PT%	1-5	20.09
2	FT%	17-22	77.39
5	GM FG%	18-46	39.19
5	3PT%	2-9	22.29
2	FT%	25-31	80.69
3	Dead	Ball Rebo	unds: 1,

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				FG	3P	FT	Re	bou	ınds	Fo	uls	TP	AS	то	ет	Blo	cks	+/-
NO.	Name		Min	M-A	M-A	M-A	OR	DR	TOT	PF	FD	IP	AS	10	31	BS	BA	+/-
7	JT Pettigrew	F	27:22	3-6	0-1	7-11	1	3	4	4	10	13	0	0	0	0	1	11
11	Isaiah Barnes	F	32:21	4-10	1-4	6-9	2	8	10	3	5	15	1	3	1	0	1	6
12	Owen Dease	F	14:39	1-3	0-2	0-0	1	2	3	3	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	4
23	Shon Tupuola	С	09:18	1-1	0-0	0-1	1	0	1	2	3	2	0	1	2	0	0	0
10	Mark Brown	G	18:59	2-9	2-7	0-2	1	0	1	0	1	6	3	2	0	0	0	-5
13	Carter Hopoi		26:46	1-4	0-2	1-2	4	2	6	1	3	3	1	1	2	2	0	13
0	Rakim Chaney		24:01	3-8	2-6	4-4	0	0	0	2	4	12	0	1	5	1	0	8
3	Brody Whitaker		25:07	2-8	2-7	2-2	1	4	5	3	1	8	0	1	0	0	0	2
1	Justus McNair		11:51	2-6	0-2	1-3	1	0	1	1	2	5	1	1	2	1	1	-7
35	Tucker Tornatta		05:22	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	-7
44	Sader Servilus		04:14	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-10
Tear		4	3	7	0		0		1									
Tota	ls			19-55	7-31	21-35	16	22	38	22	30	66	8	14	13	4	3	3
														M	ajor	Fou	ls: N	ONE

Shooti	ng By Pe	riod
1st FG%	9-26	34.6%
3PT%	3-14	21.4%
FT%	10-19	52.6%
2 <sup>nd</sup> FG%	10-29	34.5%
3PT%	4-17	23.5%
FT%	11-16	68.8%
GM FG%	19-55	34.5%
3PT%	7-31	22.6%
FT%	21-35	60.0%

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	EIU	VAL
Biggest lead	2 (1 st 8:40)	13 (2 <sup>nd</sup> 17:57)
Best Scoring Run	9 (1 <sup>st</sup> 8:40)	11 (2 <sup>nd</sup> 17:57)
Lead Changes		6
Times Tied		6
Time with Lead	01:45	34:50

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oints from	EIU	VAL	Period	by P	eriod S	Scoring
urnovers	13	15		1st	2nd	TOT
aint	24	22		٥.		-00
econd Chance	3	17	EIU	25	38	63
ast Breaks	6	6	VAL	31	35	66
ench	24	28	VAL	5	33	00

# Game 2 - November 7, 2025 at Charleston, III. (Groniger Arena) Eastern Illinois 65, Nicholls 57



Official Basketball Box Score - Final Nicholls at Eastern III. 11/07/25 Groniger Arena, Charleston 2025-26 Men's Basketball

20.0% 11.1% 45.5% 36.1% 17.6% 75% 29.5% 15.4% 63.0%

Nicho	ills - 57		Re	cord: 0	-2															
				FG	3P	FT	Re	bou	nds	Fo	uls	TD	40	то	СТ	Blo	cks		Shooti	ng By Per
NO.	Name		Min	M-A	M-A	M-A	OR	DR	TOT	PF	FD	IP	AS	10	31	BS	BA	+/-	1st FG%	5-25
3	Jaylen Searles	F	35:53	6-17	1-6	7-9	0	6	6	3	4	20	3	2	1	2	0	-7	3PT%	1-9
5	Sincere Malone	F	31:17	2-6	0-2	2-4	3	7	10	4	2	6	1	1	0	2	1	-7	FT%	5-11
7	Grant Sanders	F	20:35	1-2	0-0	1-3	1	4	5	1	4	3	0	0	1	0	0	-2	2 <sup>nd</sup> FG%	13-36
1	Trae English	G	35:33	5-13	1-6	6-8	0	2	2	2	7	17	1	4	2	0	1	-2	3PT%	3-17
22	Jalik Dunkley	G	17:07	1-4	0-0	0-0	3	1	4	4	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	-14	FT%	12-16
24	Zee Hamoda		18:46	2-9	2-8	0-0	1	2	3	2	1	6	1	0	0	1	0	2	GM FG%	18-61
21	Nick Krass		05:13	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-10	3PT%	4-26
0	Jalin Rice		17:36	1-4	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	3	0	2	0	1	2	0	0	-6	FT%	17-27
9	Zaiden Cross		06:37	0-4	0-2	0-0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-6	Dead	Ball Rebou
2	Christian Winborne		10:06	0-1	0-0	1-3	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	0	1	10		
8	Kevin Pazmino		00:55	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-1		
6	Jordan Matthews		00:22	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3		
Tear	n						5	2	7	0		0		0					•	
Tota	ls			18-61	4-26	17-27	15	25	40	24	19	57	7	11	8	5	4	-8		

ajor Fouls	Matthews	(F1	) 2 nd 0:06
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Easte	rn III 65		Re	cord: 1	-1													
				FG	3P	FT	Re	bou	nds	Fo	uls	TP	AS	то.	СТ	Blo	cks	+
NO.	Name		Min	M-A	M-A	M-A	OR	DR	TOT	PF	FD	IP	AS	10	31	BS	BA	+
13	Nazareth Fisher	F	04:07	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	-8
40	Kooper Jacobi	F	38:18	4-9	0-2	1-5	2	7	9	2	4	9	5	3	2	0	0	6
3	Meechie White	G	24:06	1-5	0-3	4-5	1	1	2	2	3	6	1	3	2	0	0	-2
5	Zion Fruster	G	35:52	6-12	4-5	9-10	0	4	4	3	6	25	4	2	1	0	1	9
10	Preston Turner	G	14:56	1-6	0-3	0-0	0	1	1	3	0	2	0	1	1	0	1	-1
11	Malik Olafioye		22:27	1-4	0-1	3-4	2	1	3	3	6	5	5	2	0	0	0	1
15	Andrew Austin		16:46	1-4	1-4	2-2	0	2	2	3	2	5	0	0	0	1	0	4
24	Terry McMorris		28:16	3-8	0-0	3-3	3	8	11	0	3	9	1	1	0	1	3	18
1	Markus Blackwell		03:11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
7	Prince Johnson		12:01	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	4	6	2	0	4	0	2	0	1	0	11
Tear	n						2	3	5	0		0		2				
Tota	ls			19-52	5-18	22-29	12	31	43	19	24	65	16	16	6	4	5	8
														M	ajor	Fou	ls: N	10

Shooting By Period								
1st FG%	10-31	32.3%						
3PT%	4-16	25.0%						
FT%	1-2	50%						
2 <sup>nd</sup> FG%	9-21	42.9%						
3PT%	1-2	50.0%						
FT%	21-27	77.8%						
GM FG%	19-52	36.5%						
3PT%	5-18	27.8%						
FT%	22-29	75.9%						

	NIC	EIU	Points
Biggest lead	9 (1 st 14:53)	18 (2 <sup>nd</sup> 11:16)	Turno
Best Scoring Run	15 (2 <sup>nd</sup> 7:57)	11 (1 st 8:08)	Paint
Lead Changes		Secon	
Times Tied		Fast B	
Time with Lead	07:04	31:12	Bench

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ints from	NIC	EIU		Period by Period Scoring			
rnovers	22	12			1st	2nd	TOT
int	26	24		NIC	16	41	57
cond Chance	6	14					
st Breaks	14	1		EIU	EIU 25	40	65
nch	9	23			25		