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CHARLESTON, IL--Kevin Jones (Indianapolis, IN Marshall/Kankakee CC), Eastern Illinois University's junior forward, is the Panthers' leading scorer heading into the home stretch of the 1981-82 season.

The 6-3 junior college transfer is averaging 13.6 points per game and has scored in double figures 15 times while leading the Panthers to their 9-11 record.

Jones's single game and team high came against the University of Northern Iowa in which he poured in 25 points.

He is also the Panthers' second leading rebounder with an average of 5.5 per game.

"Kevin has proved to be a real spark to our ballclub this year," Eastern head coach Rick Samuels said. "He drives to the basket well and has made some clutch plays for us . . . He has great body control around the basket."

Jones is also the team's leader in assists and steals with 56 and 22, respectively, and his 50.3% field goal shooting ranks him near the top in that category.