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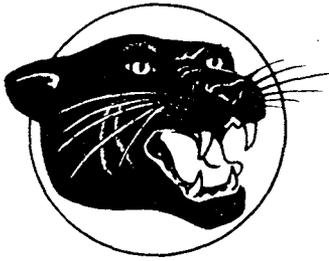
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# Panther Sports News

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University women's badminton team will be represented in the AIAW National Championship this weekend at Muncie, Indiana. Approximately 11 teams including defending champion Arizona State will be entered.

Competing for Eastern are Jayne Augustine (Belleville-East), Connie Clark (Rantoul), Janet Haberkorn (Arlington Heights), Jody Lyon (Arlington Heights), Ruth Matchette (Waukegan-East), Jo Obrycki (Mount Prospect), Bernadette Piech (Calumet City-Thornton) and Lisa Walz (Palatine-Fremd). Nancy Szarzynski (Wheaton-North) will not compete due to a back injury suffered a month ago.

The first round of singles and doubles will begin Thursday (March 4) with the championship on Saturday.

Eastern placed ninth last year with 13 points. Haberkorn reached the semi-finals of the consolation singles before being defeated by Nancy Webber of Illinois State, 11-1, 11-1.

"We are keeping our fingers crossed that we get good draws from the seeding meeting," commented Earley. "Bernie (Piech) is playing very tough for us in doubles.

"So far this season we have been playing better competition and hopefully we will peak this weekend. The draw will determine how we will finish this year. There are just 10 teams from a seven-state area so we should better last year's finish."