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CHARLESTON, IL -- Eastern Illinois University women's basketball team will face Wichita State in first round action of the First Gateway Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament, Saturday at 2 p.m., in Wichita, KS. EIU will take a 21-6 record into the game while WSU is 16-10.

EIU, winning six of its last seven games, defeated Indiana State, 79-68, Monday night in Lantz Gym. Nancy Kassebaum (Belleville-East) and Kathy Lanter (Georgetown) each scored 18 points. Lanter is just four points shy of 1,000 in her career. Kassebaum's career total is 1,831.

"We are ready for the playoffs," Eastern head coach Barbara Hilke said. "Wichita is a new team for us, however we will see them on film. We should matchup with them pretty well."

Here is Eastern's tentative starting lineup: (Scoring and rebound averages in parenthesis)

- G - Nancy Kassebaum, 5-6, Sr., Belleville, IL (East) (17.1 ppg, 5.3 rpg)
- G - Kathy Lanter, 5-7, Sr., Georgetown, IL (13.9 ppg, 3.3 rpg)
- C - Sue Hynd, 6-2, Fr., Ottawa, IL (Ottawa Township) (6.7 ppg, 6.1 rpg)
- F - Toni Collins, 5-11, So., Lincoln, IL (Jamaica) (14.3 ppg, 8.1 rpg)
- F - Beth Sass, 5-7, So., Elk Grove, IL (Elk Grove Village) (4.1 ppg, 3.7 rpg)

Here is Wichita State's tentative starting lineup: (Scoring and rebound average follows)

- G - Lisa Hodgson, 5-9, Jr., Nickerson, KS (17.2 ppg, 3.5 rpg)
- G - Sheila Rivers, 5-6, Fr., Columbia, S.C. (Richland N.E.) (2.0 ppg, 1.4 rpg)
- C - Theresa Dreiling, 6-6, Sr., Wichita, KS (Kapaun-Mt. Carmel) (6.3 ppg, 5.8 rpg)
- F - Debbie Piotrowski, 5-10, Sr., Kimberling City, MO (Reeds Spring) (4.2 ppg, 4.2 rpg)
- F - Paula Stanley, 5-11½, Sr., Humboldt, KS (7.5 ppg, 4.8 rpg)

Other GCAC first round games Saturday (March 5) find Southwest Missouri State at Drake, Western Illinois at Illinois State and Bradley at Southern Illinois at Carbondale. The semi-final games will be played Wednesday (March 9) and the championship game is Friday March 11.