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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's wrestlers have the week off from scheduled competition in preparation for the upcoming match with Purdue who the Panthers host Sunday (Feb. 10). It will begin at 2 p.m. in Lantz Gym.

EIU was originally scheduled to wrestle at Illinois Thursday (Feb. 7) but the meet has been changed to Tuesday, Feb. 12.

Eastern went over the .500 mark with a 25-20 win over Indiana last week so it will be eleven days between that victory and the Purdue match.

"The time off will give us a chance to recover," said coach Ralph McCausland.

"Even though we will not wrestle any teams, we will have scrimmages against each other."

Chris McFarland's (East Chicago Heights-Bloom Trail) 15-8 record and Mark Ruettiger's (Joliet-Providence) 14-7 at 158 and 134, respectively, are the team's best won-lost marks.

Since Dan Ivanisevic (Lyons-Morton West) is the only heavyweight the Panthers are seriously weakened with him out of the lineup due to a sprained knee. "It's a day to day thing as to when he can return . . . but he'll likely miss the next couple matches," said McCausland.