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# Panther Sports News

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's basketball Panthers close their regular season by hosting Chicago State Saturday night (March 2) in a non-conference game, and then wrap up Mid-Continent play with a road game at Wis-Green Bay on Monday (March 4). Tipoff for both is 7:30.

EIU is 15-10 overall and tied for third in the conference with Southwest Missouri, each with an 8-5 record. SWMO closes its AMCU-8 season at Illinois-Chicago Monday.

The Panthers were eliminated from finishing first or second in the league after losing to Cleveland State, 78-70, Monday night but are granted a first division finish which will allow them to host a first round game in the league's post-season tournament.

Chicago State, in its first year as a Division I independent, is 16-10. This is their final game of the season.

Wis-Green Bay is in last place in the AMCU with a 1-11 league mark, 4-20 overall. The Phoenix play at Illinois-Chicago Thursday (Feb. 28).

### \* \* \* \* \* GAME NOTES \* \* \* \* \*

THE GAMES: Eastern Illinois (15-10, 8-5) hosts Chicago State (16-10), 7:30 CST, Saturday, March 2, Lantz Gym; EIU at Wis-Green Bay (4-20, 1-11), 7:30 CST, Monday, March 4, Brown County Arena.

RADIO: Hear all the action on WLBH-FM, 97 on the dial, with Marc Stuart calling play-by-play and Mike Bradd providing commentary . . . both broadcasts are live beginning at 7:20.

### STARTERS:

	<u>EIU</u>		<u>CHICAGO STATE</u>
F 20	Jon Collins	6-4 Jr.	F 30 Fred Shepard 6-4 So.
F 52	Dirk Androff	6-7 Sr.	F 33 Shawn Bell 6-6 Fr.
C 32	Steve Hopkins	6-8 Sr.	C 13 Wayne Irving 6-7 Sr.
G 10	Doug Crook	6-1 Jr.	G 22 Darron Brittman 5-11 Jr.
G 24	Troy Richardson	6-1 Sr.	G 12 Charles Perry 5-11 Sr.

### UWG

F 44	Dan Christel	6-6 Fr.
F 30	Dave Peterson	6-6 So.
C 52	Barry Wright	6-8 Jr.
G 10	Tom Brown	6-1 Sr.
G 24	Richard Sims	6-3 So.

THE COACHES: EIU's Rick Samuels, in his fifth season, is 73-65 lifetime, all at EIU . . . with one more victory will guarantee a fourth winning season . . . previously was an assistant and co-head coach at Iowa State . . . he is 2-0 vs. Chicago State, 4-1 vs. Wis-Green Bay.

Chicago State's Bob Hallberg, in his 8th season, is 191-60 . . . under his direction CSU finished third in the NAIA national tournament last season with a 31-5 record, and has been over 20 victories in six of the seven years . . . he is 0-2 vs. EIU.

UWGB's Dick Lien, in his third season, is 22-57 . . . he recently announced his resignation effective at the end of the season . . . he is 1-4 vs. EIU.

SERIES RECORD: EIU leads Chicago State, 2-0, and Wis-Green Bay, 8-5.

LAST MEETING: EIU defeated Chicago State here 86-78 in overtime in 1982 . . . Tim Dykstra, who may suit up for Saturday's game after missing 15 games with a broken arm, had 21 that night . . . a month ago the Panthers downed Wis-Green Bay, 77-58, as Dirk Androff had 20 points, 10 rebounds.

CSU: The Cougars are in their first year of NCAA Division I competition and have guaranteed a winning season with a 16-10 record entering the EIU contest which is their last of the season . . . a strong NAIA club the past few years, the Cougars ended up 31-5 and third in the NAIA last year . . . they are led by guard Charles Perry averaging 18.6 . . . he was a NAIA all-tournament pick last season . . . fellow guard Darron Brittman is scoring 11.2 and leads the team with nearly 100 assists and in its debut in Division I were a 60-49 win at Wichita State, 78-66 at home against Howard and 65-63 at Akron . . . the Cougars had just nine home games playing 18 on the road.

UWGB: The Phoenix have settled into last place in the AMCU with a 1-11 record, 4-20 overall . . . their only conference victory was over Northern Iowa back in late January however they almost pulled one out the other night losing 59-55 at Western Illinois . . . they are averaging just 59 points a game and have no one ranked in any major conference categories . . . the leading scorer is Richard Sims at 13 points a game.

COLLINS TOWARDS 1000: Junior forward Jon Collins (East St. Louis-Cahokia) could reach 1000 career points Saturday night . . . he currently has 977 so needs just 23, a little less than five above his season average . . . he has 464 points this year (18.4 p/game) and had 513 last season . . . during the last seven games he has been over 20 six times and is scoring 22 during this stretch.

WINS INCREASE: With a strong finish the Panthers could post their most wins since the 1979-80 team went 22-7 . . . with at least three games remaining, EIU could better the 16-11 record of 1980-81.

ATTENDANCE UP: EIU is averaging 3066 fans p/game, the best since the 3293 average of 1979-80 . . . this is a 73% increase over last year's 1770 p/game average.

CONFERENCE LEADERS: With only one Mid-Continent game remaining, the Panthers are almost assured of leading in four individual categories . . . Troy Richardson (Dolton-Thornridge), senior guard, is tops in assists with 176 (7.0 p/game) and steals with 71 (2.8), Dirk Androff (Decatur-Eisenhower) is the top shooter hitting 65.2% (116-178) and Kevin Duckworth (Dolton-Thornridge) has the most blocked shots at 43 (1.9).

AMCU-8 STANDINGS (as of 2/26):

	<u>AMCU-8</u>	<u>OVERALL</u>
Cleveland State	10-3	19-7
Western Illinois	10-3	13-11
EASTERN ILLINOIS	8-5	15-10
Southwest Missouri	8-5	14-11
Illinois-Chicago	5-7	12-13
Northern Iowa	5-8	11-15
Valparaiso	4-9	8-16
Wis-Green Bay	1-11	4-20

AMCU-8 Games . . . . 2/28 - Wis-Green Bay at Ill-Chicago  
Evansville at Southwest Mo. (nc)

3-2 - Chicago State at EIU (nc)  
Valparaiso at Cleveland State  
WIU at Northern Iowa

3-4 - EIU at Wis-Green Bay  
Southwest Mo. at Ill-Chicago  
Western Ill. at St. Louis (nc)  
Butler at Valparaiso (nc)

SAMUELS SAYS: "Just like the last couple Mid-Continent games, the Green Bay contest is an important one as far as seeding for the conference tournament . . . regardless we're going to host a first round game but obviously the higher the seed, the better . . . hopefully we'll have (Kevin) Duckworth ready for that one . . . Chicago State will be similar to Cleveland State in that they'll push the ball up the floor quickly . . . transition offense is their style and they've definitely been successful with it through the years . . . their guards are their strength so we'll have to control them if we're to be successful."



1984-85 EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL STATISTICS (15-10)

NAME	G(GS)	MIN	FGM	FGA	PCT	FTM	FTA	PCT	REB	AVE	A	ST	B	PF(D)	TO	PTS	AVE	HIGH
Jon Collins	25(25)	818	194	349	.556	76	108	.704	101	4.0	45	25	3	32	56	464	18.6	28(UNI)
	c-13(13)	440	104	176	.591	37	49	.755	40	3.1	22	12	2	24	33	245	18.8	28(UNI)
Kevin Duckworth	23(17)	666	124	242	.512	62	90	.689	188	8.2	12	9	43	68(2)	45	310	13.5	20(CF)
	c-11(10)	346	57	109	.523	20	33	.606	99	9.0	5	4	25	32(1)	15	134	12.2	19(UNI)
Doug Crook	25(24)	804	128	259	.494	49	63	.778	56	2.2	81	41	-	46	42	305	12.2	19(VU)
	c-13(13)	456	70	143	.489	37	46	.804	34	2.6	54	20	-	27	24	177	13.6	19(VU)
Dirk Androff	25(25)	788	116	178	.652	71	96	.739	129	5.2	51	18	3	66(2)	56	303	12.1	26(VU)
	c-13(13)	440	68	106	.641	38	52	.731	68	5.2	29	10	2	32	31	174	13.4	26(VU)
Troy Richardson	25(25)	821	92	184	.500	41	60	.683	90	3.6	176	71	2	68(2)	78	225	9.0	18(WIU)
	c-13(13)	432	46	99	.464	23	35	.657	43	3.3	89	35	1	34(1)	43	115	8.8	18(WIU)
Steve Hopkins	25(6)	371	32	69	.464	12	28	.428	75	3.0	8	13	6	53	25	76	3.0	13(KS)
	c-13(2)	169	12	30	.400	3	9	.333	39	3.0	3	5	4	33	14	27	2.1	5(UIC)
Paul Neidig	20	177	16	33	.485	16	24	.667	35	1.7	4	2	2	18(1)	10	48	2.4	10(CS)
	c-10	104	9	19	.474	12	15	.800	26	2.6	1	1	1	10(1)	8	30	3.0	10(CS)
Norm Evans	21	207	16	36	.444	25	36	.694	18	0.8	20	26	2	31(2)	27	57	2.7	8(SWMO)
	c-13	141	13	25	.520	19	25	.760	9	0.7	10	24	-	26(2)	16	45	3.5	8(SWMO)
Vince Macciocchi	15	74	6	17	.353	8	17	.470	20	1.3	3	3	2	17	8	20	1.3	6(AUG)
	c- 8	26	-	6	.000	4	6	.667	7	0.9	1	3	1	8	3	4	0.5	1(UNI)
Jerry Strickland	14	57	10	19	.526	7	12	.583	3	0.2	5	2	-	8	5	27	1.9	8(WIU)
	c-10	34	6	12	.500	5	8	.625	2	0.2	1	1	-	6	3	17	1.7	8(WIU)
Drew Beck	9	24	3	8	.375	2	3	.667	8	0.9	2	1	-	2	2	8	0.9	2(CF)
	c- 5	7	1	3	.333	2	2	1.000	4	0.8	1	1	-	-	-	4	0.5	2(WGB)
Todd Emro	5	7	1	2	.500	-	-	-	1	0.2	-	1	-	3	1	2	0.4	2(CF)
	c- 3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Jay Genseal	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
	c- 1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Tim Dykstra*	10(3)	269	34	67	.507	21	24	.875	40	4.0	38	10	1	17(1)	16	89	8.9	14(WP)
	c- 1(1)	26	4	8	.500	3	4	.750	4	4.0	-	1	-	5(1)	1	11	11.0	11(CS)
									Team Rebounds 95 (c48)									
EIU TOTALS	25	5085	772	1463	.528	390	561	.695	859	34.4	445	222	64	430(10)	372	1934	77.4	100(WP)
	c-13	2625	390	736	.530	203	284	.715	423	32.5	215	126	36	239(6)	192	983	75.6	91(VU)
OPP TOTALS	25	5085	726	1494	.486	318	440	.723	789	31.6	400	154	63	489(10)	406	1770	70.8	87(SWMO)
	c-13	2625	365	720	.507	181	253	.715	385	29.6	204	85	35	260(6)	208	911	70.1	87(SWMO)

\* Injured - out for season

Points by Half/OT

EIU - 876 1044 14 - 1934  
 OPP - 815 925 30 - 1770

Dead Ball Rebounds: EIU - 59(c24) OPP - 45(c23)

GAME-BY-GAME SCORING/REBOUNDING

(At Home: 10-2      On Road: 5-6      Neutral: 0-2      AMCU: 8-5      AMCU Home: 5-2      AMCU Road: 3-3)

EIU	OPPONENTS	COLLINS	DUCK	CROOK	RICH	DYKSTRA	ANDROFF	HOPKINS	NEIDIG	MACCIO	EVANS
L(OT) 71	75 Eastern Washington (A) 792	26/3	17/9	8/3	4/2	8/4	4/2	3/2	1/1	0/1	0/0
W 68	67 Indiana State (H) 4262	19/9	12/8	6/0	4/3	11/9	14/6	2/2	0/0	DNP	DNP
L 57	62 Kent State (A) 2367	9/4	4/2	6/2	8/2	8/2	9/8	13/10	0/0	0/0	DNP
W 90	68 Augustana (H) 2896	17/2	16/9	16/5	12/5	6/1	2/2	4/3	3/2	6/3	5/2
W 100	62 William Penn (H) 2213	14/7	16/10	11/1	15/1	14/3	15/7	3/7	3/1	5/4	2/0
W 97	79 Central Florida (A) 524	15/8	20/6	18/4	14/7	6/5	7/4	4/4	4/1	1/1	3/2
*L 71	72 Long Island (N) 251	17/4	18/5	16/0	4/4	4/4	12/7	0/1	0/0	DNP	DNP
*L 79	80 American University (N) 644	18/6	16/4	10/2	12/5	13/5	10/5	0/1	DNP	DNP	DNP
**L(OT) 72	83 Cleveland State (A) 1064	8/4	8/7	13/1	12/4	11/4	11/4	3/2	0/1	0/1	6/0
W 78	76 Pan American (H) 2015	17/4	14/8	8/0	10/4	8/3	17/7	4/2	DNP	DNP	0/1
**W 82	63 Northern Iowa (H) 3019	28/7	8/9	8/2	11/4	DNP	10/8	4/3	6/3	1/1	4/2
**W 50	46 Southwest Missouri (H) 3105	10/6	11/5	10/5	1/1	DNP	14/2	0/2	DNP	DNP	4/0
L(OT) 73	74 Ball State (A) 4780	21/5	13/5	12/2	9/5	DNP	12/3	6/1	0/2	0/0	0/0
**W 79	66 Valparaiso (A) 1006	16/3	13/7	19/5	8/5	DNP	16/3	0/1	DNP	0/2	7/7
W 72	67 Evansville (A) 5149	26/5	13/13	9/2	8/4	DNP	10/6	6/0	0/0	DNP	0/2
**W 74	64 Illinois-Chicago (H) 3961	25/5	10/9	6/3	11/6	DNP	17/6	5/1	0/2	DNP	0/0
**W 77	58 Wisconsin-Green Bay (H) 1932	14/0	14/8	10/7	8/4	DNP	20/10	0/5	7/1	0/2	2/2
**L 73	80 Western Illinois (A) 4238	10/0	14/10	14/1	18/2	DNP	2/0	5/2	0/0	0/0	2/0
**W 90	82 Northern Iowa (A) 3800	23/2	19/10	18/1	8/3	DNP	9/5	0/1	4/1	0/0	6/0
W 95	77 Illinois Tech (H) 2666	20/4	17/10	8/1	10/5	DNP	17/4	4/2	7/2	4/4	2/2
**L 80	87 Southwest Missouri (A) 8042	24/2	10/11	16/3	9/5	DNP	11/3	2/2	DNP	DNP	8/2
**W 76	57 Illinois-Chicago (A) 793	24/3	16/13	16/3	7/3	DNP	10/3	0/1	1/1	2/0	0/2
**L 69	70 Western Illinois (H) 3991	24/5	11/10	15/1	6/0	DNP	13/8	0/9	0/0	DNP	0/0
**W 91	77 Valparaiso (H) 3440	18/2	DNP	16/0	8/2	DNP	26/11	8/6	2/7	1/1	6/1
**L 70	78 Cleveland State (H) 3296	21/1	DNP	16/2	8/4	DNP	15/5	0/4	10/10	DNP	0/0

\* 4th - Florida Southern Holiday Tournament

\*\* Mid-Continent Games